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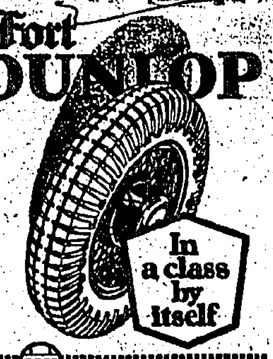

BRITAIN'S PLAN TO SAVE £100 MILLION IN ANNUAL BUDGET

VON PAPEN'S GOVERNMENT MAY RESIGN

Important Cabinet Meeting Held.

NAZI-SOCIALIST THREAT.

Berlin, To-day.

It is being freely reported here that a meeting of the von Papen Cabinet was held last night to decide whether or not it should resign. No confirmation of the statement is available as yet.

The Cabinet crisis has become even more acute than it was when Chancellor von Papen dissolved the Reichstag. At that time, Socialist and Nazi parties were at loggerheads, in jealous political rivalry, fighting with one another, unable to agree on political matters. The fact that the Socialists have turned with a friendly gesture to the Nazis does not mean that their political feelings have changed, but that they have been affronted by the von Papen element. They will do anything, it appears, to force the Government by the minority party to resign.

The cause of the Socialists' sudden turning is said to have been Chancellor von Papen's charge, during the election campaign recently completed, that they were "enemies of the people."

The Socialists maintain, further, that Chancellor von Papen has no business taking upon himself the responsibility of forming a new Government. That is for the President, they declare. — Reuter.

SHANGHAI POSITION CLOSELY WATCHED.

District Court Before The Government.

London, To-day.

Mr. J. S. Wardlaw-Milne, (Unionist) in the House of Commons yesterday, asked what steps were being taken to keep the Shanghai Municipal Council fully informed, and its views on all points obtained at Home in the negotiations for the revision of the District Court Agreement.

Premier MacDonald replied that the British Minister will keep in touch with leading members of the British community in Shanghai, including the English members of the Municipal Council, in connection with this matter and will take into account their views as far as possible on all points interesting them before a decision is reached. — Reuter.

P. & O. ANNOUNCE DIVIDENDS.

British India S.N.C. Recommends Rates.

London, To-day.

The Peninsula and Oriental Steam Navigation Co. announces a dividend of five per cent. per annum on cumulative preference shares, paying nothing on deferred.

The British India Steam Navigation Company Board of Directors recommends the usual dividends of five and five and a half per cent. on preference and two and a half per cent., tax free, on ordinary shares. — Reuter.

ENGLAND AND WALES IN SOCCER DRAW.

20,000 Witness Close Encounter at Wrexham.

Wrexham, To-day.

Before a crowd of 20,000 and in ideal weather Wales held England to a draw in the International Association Football Championship.—Reuter.

EARL RUSSELL STANDS BAIL FOR AGITATOR

Unemployed Organiser Committed For Trial.

MYSTERIOUS "MRS. ALLAN."

London, To-day.

Earl Russell, the noted novelist, who prefers to be named without a title, stood surety in the sum of £500 when Sidney Elias, alleged Soviet agent, was committed for trial and the magistrate required sureties.

When a request for a second surety of the same sum was made, a young, hatless woman, with bobbed, auburn hair, stepped forward and gave her name as Mrs. Helen Allan.

Elias is charged as a result of startling revelations of the alleged participation of the Soviet in the efforts to stir up strife in Britain. Elias, described as the Chairman of the National Unemployed Workers' Movement, was charged with inciting Walter Hannington, leader of the unemployed movement, and a man named Llewellyn, to cause public discontent and disturbances against the police.

The Prosecution said that the movement was responsible for the organisation of the unemployed march on November 4. Elias was apparently in Russia last September and was acting under the instructions of a section of the Third International, which directed the unemployed movement all over the world.

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King's Condolences Sent To Cuba

Grieves At Terrible Cyclone Toll.

London, To-day.

The President of Cuba, where the recent hurricane wrecked the town of Santa Cruz del Sur, causing the death of probably 2,000 people, received telegram of sympathy from the King yesterday.

"I greatly grieved, Monsieur le President, to learn of the great loss of life and damage to property which resulted from the cyclone, and hasten to send you my very deep sympathy," the message said.

Replying, Gerardo Machado expressed himself as deeply grateful for the expression of sympathy. —British Wireless Service.

POLICE OFFICIAL HOLES OUT IN ONE.

T. H. King's Feat at 6th at Deep Water Bay.

Mr. T. H. King, the Deputy Inspector General of the Police, accomplished a rare golfing feat yesterday when he holed out in one at the 6th at Deep Water Bay.

PRINCE CHEERED BY BELFAST CROWDS

WILD ENTHUSIASM IN NORTHERN CAPITAL

FATAL RIOTS IN DUBLIN

LONDON, TO-DAY.

ALONG A FOUR-MILE ROUTE, THROUGH BELFAST FROM THE QUAYSIDE TO STORMONT, GREAT CROWDS LINED THE STREETS AND GAVE A WILDLY ENTHUSIASTIC GREETING TO THE PRINCE OF WALES AS HE DROVE TO PERFORM THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE NEW PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

Although he had requested that economy be practised by civil authorities on street decorations, private citizens had decked their houses with flags and streamers all over city. Rain fell heavily during the procession, but Prince insisted on driving in an open car. Awaiting the Prince in the great hall at Stormont were the Northern Ireland Cabinet members and a host of distinguished Irishmen.

The opening ceremony was performed by the Prince on behalf of the King, from whom he delivered a message of greeting. The Prince said it was his Royal father's earnest prayer that they should meet the difficulties confronting the whole world, as well as their own special problems, with the courage and tenacity, loyalty and devotion which had made Northern Irishmen famous in the annals of the Empire.

The Prince afterwards proceeded through cheering crowds to the City Hall where an address of welcome was delivered.

His visit to Ulster will extend over three days and will include a tour of representative industries. — British Wireless Service.

Dublin Reaction.

Belfast, To-day.

While Dublin growled against "another act of English interference, calculated to provoke dissention and divide the country," Belfast cheered lustily as the Prince of Wales passed smilingly, through its flag-decked streets yesterday.

It was the first visit the Prince has made to Ireland since the division of the country resulted in the setting up of separate Governments. The enormous crowds greeted him with unprecedented fervour.

Thousands lined the route along which the Prince passed, flags fluttered and flowers were thrown upon him from windows.

The Prince's first official act was to open the new Parliament Buildings. This was a brilliant ceremony, attended by dignitaries of both church and state, in robes and full dress, a glittering array. The Prince, formally garbed, spoke briefly before he declared the new buildings open.

His Royal Highness will remain in Northern Ireland for the next several days, sight-seeing and reviewing old acquaintances.

A careful guard is being kept in Belfast, owing to the fears that fanatics from the Free State might attempt some sort of mischief. Up to now there have been no untoward incidents, and the City has preserved a smiling countenance and all its dignity.—Reuter.

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Prince of Wales.

S.S. FOO CHING IS GROUNDED NEAR WOOSUNG

Suikong Races To Rescue After S.O.S.

PASSENGERS RETURNED SAFELY TO SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, To-day.

Disaster overtook the Chinese steamer, "Foo Ching," (1,257 tons) as she was proceeding to Chuenkow, Fukien, with a cargo of flour and piece-goods last night. When some distance beyond Woosung, a fire was discovered and an S.O.S. message was promptly sent out. The flames spread and rapidly got out of control.

The Russian skipper, Captain Pachmann, beached the ship in order to prevent her from becoming a total loss.

Meanwhile the Chinese steamer, "Suikong," on her way to Hankow from Shanghai, picked up the "Foo Ching's" appeal for help, changed her course and steamed at full speed to the rescue. Arriving on the scene, her life-boats were utilised to transfer all the passengers and crew of the doomed vessel, who were then returned to Shanghai, none the worst for their adventure. — Reuter.

The "Foo Ching" is a steel screw steamer of 1,257 tons, and was built by R. Napier & Sons, Glasgow, in 1885. She is owned by the Foo Shing Steamship Co., Ltd., of Shanghai. She flys the Chinese flag.

BRITISH ARMAMENT PLAN TO BE TABLED IN COMMONS.

Sir John Simon Will Speak in Geneva at Same Time.

London, Yesterday.

Before Parliament is prorogued to-morrow morning a White Paper, containing the new British disarmament proposals, was laid before the House.

Sir John Simon simultaneously will make a similar declaration of British policy before the Bureau of the Disarmament Conference at Geneva.—British Wireless Service.

'SEPARATIONIST' PARTY FAILS IN BURMA ELECTION

Surprise Victory For Conservative Group.

COUNCIL EVENLY DIVIDED.

Rangoon, To-day.

The Anti-Separationists obtained 41 seats in the Legislative Council Elections and won a surprise victory, it was learned to-day.

The electorate, anticipating a somewhat sensational session and a decisive move towards separation from the Government of India, is somewhat confused by an apparently easily achieved check-mate.— Anti-separationists with 41 seats, have a clear majority over the other elected members, 23 of whom are Separationists and nine neutral. There are two districts still to complete returns, in one of which all candidates are Anti-Separationists.

Separationists, however, hope for a change in views in the Legislative Council, when 23 nominated and ex-officio members will take their seats. These, however, will probably put a final quietus to the talk of Separation, at least for the present.

There is a chance that the Council will be very evenly divided on the question, Separationists declare, for they are campaigning for converts with diligence. — Reuter.

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Gandhi Renews Threat Of Fast

Says He Will Start Jan. 1, If Necessary.

Poona, British India, Nov. 12.

The Mahatma Gandhi announced to-day he would resume his fast January 1 if Teuravayur Temple is not opened to Hindus of the untouchable caste.

He revealed his intention to a United Press correspondent whom he received in his jail cell.

The correspondent observed that Gandhi apparently has not regained much of his strength since his previous fast, when he protested against the communal settlement proposed by the British.

He was nearly dead when caste leaders and untouchables finally got together and agreed on a programme altering the British plan which the British Government indicated would be acceptable.

Thereupon Gandhi ended his fast. —U.P.

Colonel Tang Yuet-ming, formerly Commander of the 3rd Squadron of Canton, is leaving for Amoy today aboard the J.C.J.L. liner Tjisadane. He is accompanied by 80 air officers taking employment in Fukien.

A recent portrait of Field-Marshal Sir William Robertson, 1st Bart., G.C.B., G.C.M.G., D.S.O.

Woman Pilot Nears Goal

Amy Johnson Over Worst Section.

London, To-day.

Miss Amy Johnson, now Mrs. J. A. Mollison, who is attempting a record flight to South Africa, landed at Gao, French West Africa, at 12.30 p.m. Tuesday and left later for Duala, 1,200 miles distant.

Her husband, Mr. J. A. Mollison famous airman, considers she has got over the worst part of her journey and has a fair chance of establishing a new record.

At present, he himself holds the record for the flight between England and Capetown. —British Wireless Service.

CARS DESTROYED IN PEAK FIRE.

Driver Found Flames Under His Seat.

A Ford car, owned by Mr. C. J. Waddell, of the Public Works Department, and a Morris Cowley, owned by G. H. Bond, principal of the firm of Messrs. Denison, Ram and Gibbs, architects, were completely destroyed by fire on the Peak last night.

Mr. Waddell, in a report made to the Police, stated that after arriving home shortly after midnight last night, he smelt burning. He removed the seat of his car and found a small area alight. He apparently did not notice that part of the upholstery of the car was also ignited. Fanned by a strong wind, the flames spread to Mr. Bond's car which was parked nearby. The flames consumed the fabrics of both cars rapidly.

Sergeant Clarke, on motor patrol, came on the scene at 4.45 a.m. and later Sub-Inspector Chester-Woods and Sergeant Cordeaux, of Gough Hill Police Station arrived, followed by the Peak fire appliance. The flames were extinguished but not before they had destroyed both vehicles completely.

DOLLAR REMAINS UNCHANGED.

The value of the local dollar remained unchanged from yesterday, being quoted at 1/4⅛ this morning.

Silver also remained steady, spot being quoted at 18 and forward at 18⅛.

The London on New York cross rate was given at £—G$3.81⅛, a decrease of ⅛ and the New York on London rate at £—G$3.81⅛, a drop of 2⅛.

CIVIL SERVICE MAY SUFFER IN ECONOMY DRIVE

Whole Ministry Urged To Be Abolished.

COMMONERS' PROTESTS.

London, To-day.

Sensational suggestions for new drastic economies in the state and local expenditure budget estimates, put forward by members of the Economy Committee of the House of Commons, have roused a storm of protest among Conservative members and have left the public breathless.

The economies suggested would effect the saving of £100,000,000 annually in the budget, it is estimated, but they would entail the slashing of salaries and of staffs, the abolition of a whole Ministry and an entire Governmental department.

The reforms are urged by a number of private members, serving on the Committee. There is no indication of the Government's attitude respecting them, but it is known that any economies possible would be welcomed by the Ministry.

The recommendations include, among other things, the abolition of the Ministry of Transport. This, in itself is enough to rouse fierce antagonism. It would mean the abandoning of some hundreds of civil servants either to less responsible positions or to the streets.

The report of the members of the Committee asks, too, for the abolition of the Housing Subsidies, which will rouse violent objection among the general public. It urges the abolition of the Road Fund and the winding up of the affairs of the Department of Overseas Trade, with a view to abolishing that large branch of the Government service.

Recommendations which are of particular interest to the whole of the civil service are those concerning the general lengthening of the hours of work, which would enable the departments to cut down their man-power to some extent. A general reduction in wages of the entire civil service staff is the final thunderbolt for the Government workers, the climax of the report.

The publication of the Report of the Economy Committee caused a storm of protest among Conservative members at Westminster last night. They assert that the Report has been published before it was considered by the full Committee of the House of Commons. — Reuter.

GAINSBORO ENTER FIRST ROUND.

F.A. Cup Replays.

London, To-day.

The following were the results of replayed matches in the Fourth Qualifying Round of the F.A. Cup:

Gainsboro'	4	Gresley R.	2
Altrinchim	3	Stalybridge	3

(after extra time).

—Reuter.

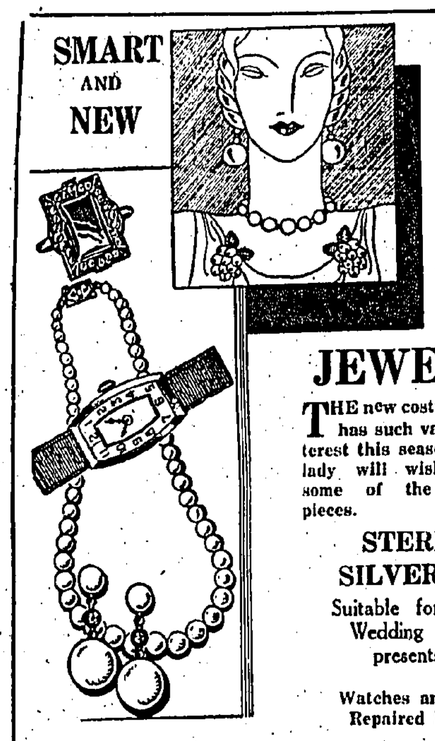
CABINET REVIEWS KING'S SPEECH.

London, To-day.

The Cabinet meeting yesterday considered the draft of the King's speech to be delivered at the State opening of the new Parliamentary of life and damage to property Session next Tuesday. — British Wireless Service.

The Woman's Page

SMART AND NEW



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CLOTHES OF MARIE ANTOINETTE.

Presented To Museum Of London.

Richly embroidered clothes, which were intended to be worn by the unhappy Marie Antoinette if she had escaped to England from the clutches of the French terrorists, have been presented to the London Museum.

They were seized at the last minute from the royal wardrobe by M. Besnard, Master of the Robes, and after the queen was guillotined they were divided among the surviving members of his family. The donor is one of his descendants, Mrs. Besnard Lowther, of Tonbridge Wells.

The wide divided skirt is of pink silk with finely embroidered feathers in black and white. But the most careful work is in the petticoat, which would be seen in a wide expanse in front. This is ornamented with elaborate floral designs and festoons, principally in green, on a cream ground. Some of the flowers are worked in small sapphires, and others in metal foil. Part of the bodice and the sleeves are also at the Museum.

The clothes have been submitted to M. Leloir, the greatest authority on French dress of the period, who expressed his ignorance of their survival.

The dress is in interesting contrasts to a severe Elizabethian robe of crimson velvet which has recently been arranged for the Museum by M. Leloir, in conjunction with an English expert. This dress is traditionally supposed to have belonged to Queen Elizabeth, but is thought by the Museum to have been the property of a lady of the bedchamber.

WOOD AND LEATHER FOR "JEWELS."

Just how barbaric is women's taste in the matter of jewellery is shown by the amount of wood, metal and leather bracelets fashion now decrees.

The latest "hint" from Paris is that many rings shall be worn at once. That is, if the owner has not already succumbed to the vogue for many bracelets because it is not considered chic to laden both finger and arm!

You may have six rings, or eight, if you can manage them—a few in a colour, or black, and the rest of shiny chronium-plating. Tortoise-shell is popular with chronium-plating and when gloves are worn all these rings go over the gloved finger.

Menu Suggestions For To-morrow

Breakfast.

Compote of Fresh Fruits
Dry Corned Beef Hash with Poached Eggs
Toasted Muffins and Fig Jam
Coffee

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Tiffin.

Puree of Tomato and Pepper Soup, Croutons
Rice Savory with Egg Plant Fritters
Kale and Spinach Greens
Pear Flip
Ice Box Rolls
Tea or Coffee

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Dinner.

Puree of Bean Soup, Thin Dry Toast
Cape Cod Salad, Crisp Lettuce
Mustard Pickles
Fresh Cocoanut Almond Layer Cake
Roquefort Cheese with French Bread
Coffee

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Compote of Fresh Fruits

2 Canton Oranges.
2 ripe bananas.
1 firm tart apple.
4 pieces pumelo.
1 firm persimmon.
Sugar to sweeten.
Shredded Fresh Cocoanut (can be omitted).

Wash fruit thoroughly, scald in boiling water, chill. Peel, removing seeds and cores if any, and cut in medium sized dices. Sprinkle with sugar to sweeten and chill in the refrigerator an hour before serving, having previously sprinkled with half a lemon juice so as to retain the color of the fruit. For serving, heap in an attractive serving dish and sprinkle thickly with freshly shredded cocoanut. Makes a delicious breakfast dish as well as a desert for tiffin or dinner.

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Tomato, Pepper Puree.

1 Cub Stewed Tomatoes left from the previous day.
1 sweet green pepper.
½ medium sized onion.
Whole clove.
Water.
Bay leaf.
Salt and pepper.
Sour Cream.

Put the left over tomatoes, the chopped onion and the green pepper, chopped with the seeds and pitch removed in a saucepan with a cup of water. Add the bay leaf and the clove. Cover and simmer for 10 minutes or so. Run through a sieve. Return to the liquid in the pen, season with salt and pepper. Add more water if necessary. Add a tablespoon of butter and serve in soup bowls, adding two tablespoons of sour cream to each bowl just before serving.

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Rice Savory.

4 tablespoons bacon fat.
¼ cup chopped onions.
¼ cup chopped celery.
1 teaspoon salt.
¼ teaspoon pepper.

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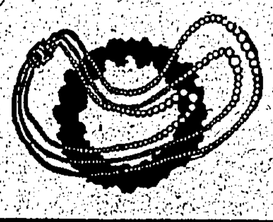

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3 cups boiled rice.
2 cups milk.
2/3 cup cheese, cut fine.
½ cup cooked green beans.

Heat the fat in a frying pan Add and brown the onion and celery. Add the rice and cook for two minutes stirring constantly. Add rest of ingredients. Cook slowly 15 minutes. Stir frequently.

Green pepper and bits of left over meat such as pork veal or beef can be cut in small dice and fried in the fat along with the onion and celery if desired.

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Cape Cod Salad.
(Serving Eight)

2 cups cooked duck, diced (left over.)
2 cups diced celery.
2 tablespoons chopped pimentos (fresh ones used when obtainable).
½ teaspoon salt.
1 cup mayonnaise.
1/8 teaspoon onion (Optional).

Toss the ingredients into a mixing bowl and marinate with French dressing an hour before serving and chill. A few minutes before serving, mix with three tablespoons of the mayonnaise. Serve in cups of crisp lettuce. Top with the remaining mayonnaise. Garnish with sliced ripe or stuffed olives, strips of pimento or sweet green peppers.

The salad can be surrounded with chilled slices of ripe tomatoes also).

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Ice Box Rolls.

(Recipe requested by Mrs. S.)
2 cakes compressed yeast.
4 tablespoons luke warm water.
2 teaspoons salt.
½ cup sugar.
2 eggs.
2 cups boiling water.
3 tablespoons fat.
8 cups sifted flour.

Mix the yeast with the luke warm water. Mix salt, sugar, boiling water and fat. Mix well, cool until luke warm. Combine the yeast and sugar mixtures and beat for two minutes. Add the beaten eggs, half of the sifted flour. Beat for three minutes. Add the rest of the flour. Mix well and place in a greased bowl. Grease the top of the dough to prevent a crust from forming. Cover tightly, store in coldest part of refrigerator.

When rolls are desired, break and shape bits of the dough and place the rolls side by side in a greased pan. Cover with cloth and let stand three hours or until the rolls are double in size. Bake 15 minutes in a moderate oven. This dough will keep two weeks in a very cold place.

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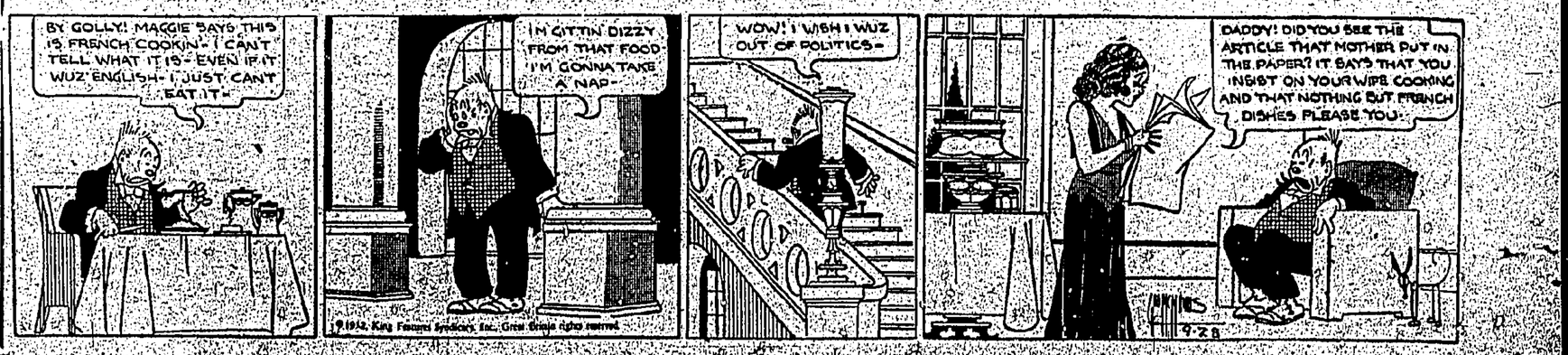

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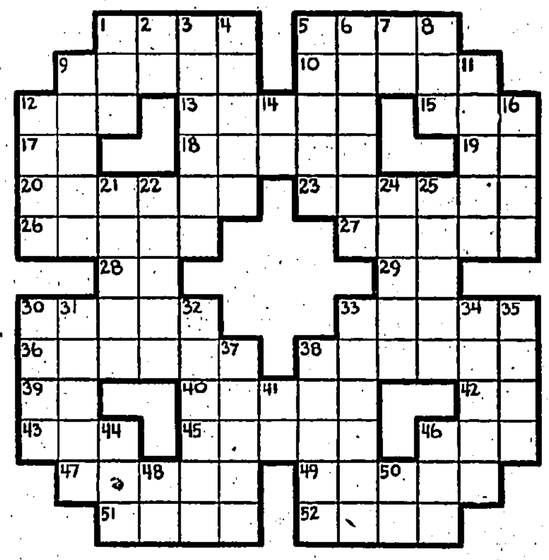
DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1–Gone by
5–Applaud
9–Tardier
10–An island on the Gulf of Riga, Esthonia
12–Head covering
13–Sly glances
15–Short sleep
17–Pronoun
18–Merits
19–Act
20–Straight
23–Realized
26–Perform
27–Showers
28–Grand lodge (abbr.)
29–Into
30–Javelin
33–Bags
36–Fastens with paste
38–Reclaim
39–Conjunction
40–A closed car
42–Europium (abbr.)

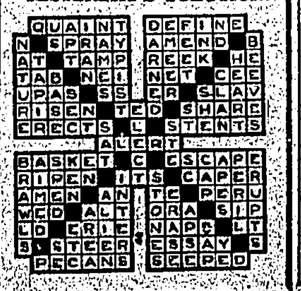
HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
43–End
45–High head-dress
46–Skill
47–A number
48–Eagles
51–Current
52–In India, a tiller of the soil

VERTICAL
1–Small lump of butter
2–Near
3–Choose
4–Give pleasure to
5–Preserves in salt
6–Smaller
7–Because
8–Writing implement
9–The dead language
11–Loaded
12–The skin of an animal

VERTICAL (Cont.)
14–Comparative suffix
16–Seed coverings
21–Raves
22–Glory
24–A nymph presiding over a fountain (Class Myth.)
25–In time before the present
30–Stain
31–City of France
32–Halted
33–Pertaining to six
34–Retains
35–Blackening made by soot
37–River in N. W. France
38–Scarcer
41–Deposit account (abbr.)
44–Fondle
46–Of age (Latin, abbr.)
49–6 (Roman)
50–Negative

(The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle.) will appear in to-morrow's issue.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



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ENGINE LIKES WORK.

When a new Morris model is introduced it always means something out of the ordinary in interest, but when such a model, as in the case of the Ten, caters for a demand which is probably the most closely studied of all in present circumstances, the importance is enormously increased, according to the "Autocar."

Furthermore, the new car bridges the gap formerly existing in the Morris range, namely, that there was nothing between a car of 8 h.p. The Ten comes just midway as to horsepower, and therefore tax, and also as regards general size and the accommodation afforded. It is not just a development of an existing car, but is entirely a new model, with a four-cylinder side-valve engine resembling as to general design the latest six-cylinder Oxford model, and an unquestionably efficient unit.

One of the most striking things about the car as a whole is that it is markedly lower than any hitherto produced at the Morris works. One would not expect anything but sound value and well-tried practice to emanate from this firm, therefore the low build has not been carried anywhere near the point of extreme. Yet although head room in the interior is not impaired, there is no getting away from the fact that the Ten is a good looking car.

Its engine seems to like its work, pulling smoothly and yet hard as occasion demands, the ability to hang on to top gear even at fairly low speeds being strong. It will go up to high revs with extreme willingness on the indirect gears should that method of driving appeal, and is therefore an interesting car for an experienced owner to drive, the qualities of ease of control and ability to remain on top gear for a great proportion of the running time meet the requirements of the man or woman little interested in driving as such, who requires an efficient means of transport.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL WARNING.

Robot signals are now working at all the main crossings in Newcastle-on-Tyne and Gateshead, and in view of the different regulations in force in the two towns, which adjoin each other, "Motor Transport" gives a word of warning to drivers who may not be conversant with the regulations in force.

In Newcastle filtration to the left is allowed at all crossings, this being indicated by an illuminated arrow when the signal is at "Stop."

In Gateshead filtration is not allowed in any circumstances, and stringent police action is taken against any offenders in this direction.

Motoring In High Spots Of Burma

New Roads Through Shan States

Compared with India Burma has few roads that are suitable for motoring. But every year sees some extension of these roads, and many large projects are afoot for improving existing roads, and extending others.

A great part of Burma is practically unexplored, and the authorities must first of all drive rough roads through these areas, to be followed by roads more suitable for motor transport. But there are several very excellent roads which are a joy to the motorist, and every year increasing sums of money are being made available for their improvement. It may be a surprise to some to know that till recently there was not a road from Mandalay to Rangoon, the two great cities of Burma, and the journey had to be done either by train or boat.

On the other hand, there are two fine roads leading from the railway into the Shan States, both of them over the high hills separating the Irrawaddy and the Salween, and masterpieces in road building. One joins the line at Mandalay, and passes through Maymyo, and thence into the Southern Shan States; the other passes into the Southern Shan States, leaving the railway at Thazi, and passing through the hill station of Kalaw, and on to Taunggyi, the capital of the Shan States. In this article a brief account of the latter motor trip will be given.

To The Hills.

Our headquarters being at Mandalay, and the road from that city to Thazi being almost impossible for cars, we transhipped our car, and on arrival at Thazi started for the road that runs for some miles on the level and afterwards makes a very stiff ascent to Kalaw. The country for the first few miles is not particularly interesting, for on both sides are scrub jungle, but always in front are the great hills we are about to ascend. The road and the railway are never far from each other for the first part of the journey, and here and there the road runs parallel. The surface of this part of the road is generally excellent. In the rainy season both roads and railways in Burma are subjected to considerable damage, and it is not unusual for all traffic on both to be stopped for several days.

The road has been made through most difficult country, and it is not surprising that during the rains troubles arise, but every effort is made to keep it open. We first pass through the village of Kyatti, and then through Hlaingdet, which was the frontier of the Shan States in Burmese times and of interest, historically. Here the road passes through extensive paddy fields, and as the hills are approached the scenery becomes more interesting, and as we begin to ascend the air becomes decidedly cooler.

Like The Nilgiris.

The railway has now been left, for the road was traced through another valley to the left of the one taken by the railway. It is a gorgeous ride, not unlike the ascent of the Nilgiris in many respects. There is a wonderful wealth of vegetation and jungle life, and every corner brings you to some new view. The road, like all hill roads, sees a great deal of winding, and the driver has to give all his attention to his car. But the gradient is not particularly stiff and the corners for the most part are easy to negotiate.

The highest point of the road is about 4,600 feet above sea level, so it easy to understand the need of the motorist for some warm clothing, especially if he arrives at Kalaw, the object of our first day's journey, in the evening. For a greater part of the year, the road we have passed along is in good condition and is used freely by motorists, but especially in the hot season, when large numbers come to stay in Kalaw. There is a considerable hill to ascend after leaving Kalaw but after that the road has no difficult turns.

Leaving Aungban we now cross a level stretch of country, after which there is a big descent, until, by the time Heno is reached we have descended nearly a thousand feet. On this stretch of the road you get extensive views of all the surrounding country, and to the west may be seen the railway line which, until the extension to a place twelve miles beyond was made in 1927, terminated at Heho.

TWO MORE BRITISH MOTOR RECORDS.

London, Oct. 14.

George Eyston, the well-known British racing motorist, put up two new records at Brooklands to-day.

He established a new International and British record when he covered 200 kilometres at an average speed of 111.12 miles per hour in an unsupercharged 1,500 c.c. Riley Six, and then he went on to set up a new British mark for 200 miles by travelling at a speed of 111.65 miles an hour.

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Facts and Theories.

Studebaker maintain an 800 acre Proving Ground for the primary purpose of separating facts from opinions. It's one thing to develop—it's quite another to prove; and the proving ground furnishes the setting for Studebaker engineers to prove their developments sound. Studebaker owners know that every feature of design of their cars has undergone the acid test of quality imposed by this great outdoor laboratory.

A typical Proving Ground test is in point. Studebaker engineers had been investigating Free Wheeling months and years before it was presented to the public with the 1930 line of Studebaker cars. Many types and different designs were considered and developed before the roller type now in use was selected. To get the facts, to prove the soundness of their beliefs, was a monumental job and one which would have required many months and huge expenditures of money and efforts had it not been for the facilities provided at the Proving Ground and laboratory. With such facilities at hand, winter could be changed to summer on the coldest January day and the mountains of Colorado or the plains of Kansas could be duplicated practically within the factory gates.

SELF-CONTROLLED TRAFFIC.

Interesting Figures Prove Savings.

By the end of 1934 Sir Henry Turnbull, the Commissioner of Police for the City of London, intends to have the vehicle-operated system installed at all crossings where point-duty constables have in the past been necessary, says "Motor Transport."

At the same time the Westminster City Council and the Ministry of Transport have approved big schemes for traffic self-control lights in Piccadilly, Trafalgar Square, Knightsbridge, Eaton Square, and Grosvenor Place.

Some very interesting figures are given showing the savings which can be effected by improved traffic conditions. For instance, J. Lyons and Co., Ltd., have shown that distributing costs in London at night are half that which they are are in the day-time. It is also estimated that if the average speed of L.G.O.C. buses is increased by one mile per hour the saving in a year would be over £350,000.

There is no doubt that traffic signals do increase the average speed of traffic to a very appreciable extent. The saving of as much as ten minutes can be made in an omnibus along the length of Oxford Street as compared with the time taken before the installation of automatic signals.

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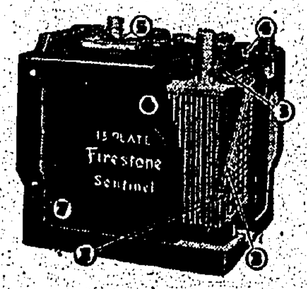

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Authorised Capital $50,000,000
Issued and Fully Paid-up 30,000,000
Reserve Funds:—
Sterling .....£ 6,500,000
Silver $10,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors $30,000,000

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Current Accounts opened in Local Currency and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods in Local Currency and Sterling on terms which will be quoted on application.

Hong Kong, 8th April, 1932.

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FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
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Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 27th February, 1932.

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Established 1912.

Head Office:—Hong Kong.

Authorised Capital (H.K. Currency) ...$11,000,000
Paid-Up Capital 2,856,809
Reserve Fund 1,100,000

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Reserve Funds .....$ 3,820,003.82

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Capital (fully paid-up) Yen 100,000,000
Reserve Fund .....Yen 117,300,000

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Dairen (Dalny)	Rangoon
Fengtien (Mukden)	Rio de Janeiro
Hamburg	San Francisco
Hankow	Seattle
Harbin	Semarang
Hong Kong	Shanghai
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London	Tientsin
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Interest allowed on Current Accounts.
Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

H. MORI,
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Hong Kong, 11th March, 1932.

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Incorporated by Royal Charter, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

Paid-up Capital £3,000,000
Reserve Fund £3,000,000
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CANTON	PENANG
CAWNPORE	RANGOON
CEBU	SAIGON
COLOMBO	SEMARANG
DELHI	SEREMBAN
HAIPHONG	SHANGHAI
HAMBURG	SINGAPORE
HANKOW	SITAWAN
HARBIN	SOURABAYA
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IPOH	TONGKAH (Bhuket)
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KLANG	YOKOHAMA
KOBE	ZAMBOANGA
KUALA LUMPUR	

Foreign Exchange and General Banking business transacted.

Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON,
Manager.

Hong Kong, 8th July, 1932.

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(TAIWAN GINKO.)

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Central Bank in Formosa.
Bank-Notes issued Average amount ...Yen. 45,000,000
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K. NAGURA,
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Hong Kong, December 24, 1931.

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Hong Kong Office:—11, Queen's Road Central.

Authorized Capital .....f. 150,000,000
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Reserves .....f. 20,015,000

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A. STOKHAUS,
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Head Office:—65, Broadway, New York.

Capital .....U.S.$6,000,000.00
Surplus .....U.S.$1,332,332.04
Reserves .....U.S.$1,468,116.78

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HEAD OFFICE:—SINGAPORE.

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Authorised Capital Straits $20,000,000
Issued Capital ..... „ 8,000,000
Paid-up Capital .... „ 4,000,000
Reserve Liabilities of Shareholders .... „ 4,000,000

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Manager.

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Paid-up Capital .....$ 2,574,100
Reserve Fund .....$ 210,000
Total Resources $18,500,000

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AUSTRIA SUES ENGLISHMAN.

But First Took His Money.

London.—When the war came the Austrian Government demanded that Mr. E. H. Blyth should give up his British nationality and become an Austrian subject.

Mr. Blyth refused.

The property of Stone and Blyth, his firm, was confiscated. The premises were seized, and working capital of £30,000 was taken away.

Towards the end of the war Mr. Blyth was called on at his house by a man who subsequently proved to be Captain W. L. Clinton, of the King's Royal Rifle Corps (60th Foot).

He had succeeded in his fifth attempt to escape from a prisoners' camp in West Prussia by climbing along an electric cable forty feet high.

Captain Clinton asked Mr. Blyth if he could trust him, and then disclosed that he was a British officer in need of shelter. For several days he lay hidden in the Blyth house, and finally escaped to Belgrade, where he died in hospital.

When the war was over Mr. Blyth made a claim for the return of his property, but eventually he was compelled to accept £3,000.

As a result of the lack of working capital the firm has now become insolvent.

The irony of the situation is that the Austrain Government is now bringing an action against Mr. Blyth because he is unable to pay his debts—a direct result of their having taken away his property.

This is in spite of the fact that British investors have lent millions to Austria since the war as a sign of our good will.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

A. O. F. C. Quotations.

New York, Yesterday.

	Last Aver.	To-day's Aver.	Change
30 Industrials	65.26	63.24	2.02 down
20 Rails	29.39	28.26	1.13 down
20 Utilities	28.93	28.25	.68 down

Messrs. E. A. Pierce & Co. Report:—The market was again inconclusive. Professional sentiment appears to be preponderantly bearish. Negative trading attitude is suggested.

	Last Price	To-day's Price
Air Reduction	57	55
Allied Chemical & Dye	79⅞	77¼
American Can	56¼	53⅝
American Telegraph & Telephone	111	107⅝
American Tobacco "B"	68⅞	66⅞
Anaconda Copper Mining	10⅛	9⅞
Auburn	46⅜	44½
Borden Company	24¾*	25⅞
Canadian Pacific	14¾	13⅝
Chrysler Motors	16⅜	15⅝
Consolidated Gas of New York	59⅞	58⅛
Drugs, Inc.	35⅝*	34⅝
Du Pont de Nemours	38	36⅞
Eastman Kodak	53	54
Electric Bond & Share	23	22½
General Electric	17¼	16⅝
General Foods	27½	26
General Motors	14⅝	13⅞
Gillette Safety	18	17⅝
International Harvester	23¾	22½
International Tel. & Tel.	10⅝	9⅝
Liggett & Myers "B"	58½*	58¼
Loew's Inc.	29¼	26⅝
Montgomery Ward	14	13
National Biscuit	40¼	39⅜
Pacific Gas & Electric	28	27½
Pennsylvania Railway	15¼	14⅝
Radio Corporation	8	7¾
Sears Roebuck	21	20⅝
Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey	32½*	31¼
Socony-Vacuum Corp.	9¼	8¾
Union Carbide & Carbon	24¼	25½
Union Pacific	73¾	70⅞
United States Steel	37⅝	35¾
Westinghouse E. & M.	29½	28⅞

* ex dividend.

GOVERNMENT ARMY READY TO STRIKE.

Fresh Campaign On Reds Planned.

Nanchang, Nov. 12.

The "Reds" under Lo Ping-hui having fled to Suichuan, western Kiangsi, General Chen Chi-tang, Commander of the Kwangtung Provincial Forces, has decided to launch a general offensive in conjunction with the Central Government units.

It has been decided that the Government forces under General Chen Cheng will constitute one column while the 2nd Kwangtung Division under General Yen Chao will be the vanguards of the Kwangtung troops. The 1st Kwangtung Division under General Li Chen-chiu will comprise the reserves. Both Kwangtung divisions have been ordered by General Yu Han-mou, Commander of the 1st Kwangtung Army, to concentrate at Kanchow.

Three Government divisions respectively under Generals Hsu Ke-hsiang, Li Yun-chien and Sun Lien-chung have set out from Nancheng and Lichuan, eastern Kiangsi, to attack the "Reds" under Chu Te and Mao Tse-tung, who have been driven back to Kiangsi from northern Fukien. General Mao Ping-wen, Commander of the 37th Army, has proceeded to Nanfeng to direct the operations. — Kuo Min.

Senator Hawes Seems Likely Choice For Philippines Post

Washington, Nov. 12.

The defeat of the Republican administration and the victory of the Democratic presidential candidate, Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt, of New York, assures that there will be a new Governor General in Malacanang Palace to head the Philippine Government next Spring.

The only possibility who has been discussed thus far is Senator Harry B. Hawes of Missouri who was not a candidate for re-election this year.

Mr. Hawes is author of the Hawes-Cutting Philippine Independence bill and was a visitor to the Islands in 1931, where he was popularly received.

Since he is not again in the Senate, Mr. Hawes would be available for the post and no doubt welcome.

All governors of territories and insular possessions, and chiefs of the diplomatic missions, will offer their resignations shortly before the inauguration of President elect Roosevelt next March 4.

It is customary for career diplomats to remain, however, hence it is expected here that Ambassador Clark O. Drew probably will remain at Tokyo and Minister Nelson Johnson in China.

No mention has been made yet of the Democratic appointee for the governorship of Hawaii.—U.P.

SHARE MARKET.

The official summary of the Stock Exchange issued yesterday:—

Hotels, Cements and Lights were a weak market, declining to $11.20. $13.10 and $17, respectively, and at this level some shares changed hands.

The rest of the list was very quiet.—

Sales.
Hong Kong Banks $1650.
H. K. & K. Wharves $149½.
Hong Kong Lands $78¾.
Hong Kong Ropes $12.20.
Dairy Farms $28.90.
H. K. Govt. Loans 2¼ 2½% Prem.

Buyers.
Underwriters $2.85.
International Assce. Tls. 4.20.
Union Waterboats $21.
Venz: Goldfields $4.20.
Benguet Explorations 22 cents.
H. K. & K. Wharves $148.
Providents (Old) $4¾.
Providents (New) $2.
Hong Kong Lands $78.
H. K. Realties $9.85.
Ewo Cottons Tls. 14.80.
Peak Trams (New) $8.
Star Ferries $94.
H. K. Electrics $78¼.
Macao Electrics $29.
Cements (Combined) $13.10.
Cements (New) $2¼.
Dairy Farms $28¾.
Entertainments $12½.
Constructions (New) $1.35.
B. Ind. G. $ Bonds 69%.

Sellers.
H. K. Realties $9½.
China Lights (Old) $17.40.
Agriculturals $10.
Wallace Harpers $10.

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	
T.T.	1/4⅛
On demand	1/4⅛
4 months' sight	1/4¼
Credits 4 months' sight	1/5
On New York—	
On demand	22⅜
Credits 60 days' sight	23½
On Paris—	
On demand	570
Credits 4 months' sight	610
On India—	
T.T.	88¾
On demand	88¾
On Shanghai—	
On demand	75¾
On Kobe—	
On demand	107½
On Manila—	
On demand	44¾
On Singapore—	
On demand	57⅞
On Batavia—	
On demand	55¾
On Saigon—	
On demand	57
On Bangkok—	
On demand	138½
Sovereign's Bank Buying Rate	1.4[illegible]
Bar Silver per oz.	18
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	Nominal
Copper Cash	Nominal
Copper Cents	1% prem.
Rate of Native Interest	3½% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	29⅜% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin	Par.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

	London, Yesterday.
Paris	84⅝
New York	3.31¾
Montreal	3.78
Brussels	23.92½
Geneva	17.24½
Amsterdam	8.26½
Milan	64 13/16
Berlin	13.95½
Stockholm	18.90
Copenhagen	19.25
Oslo	19 11/16
Vienna	28 Nominal
Prague	112
Helsingfors	230
Madrid	40 9/16
Lisbon	109½
Athens	580
Belgrade	245
Rio	5⅝ Nom.
Bucharest	565
Buenos Aires	Nominal
Montevideo	30 Nominal
Bombay	1/6 5/16
Shanghai	1/9 9/16
Hong Kong	1/4⅜
Yokohama	1/2 13/16
Silver Spot	18
Silver Forward	18⅛
War Loan Assented	38½

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HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Opening Daily Official Quotations, Nov. 17, 1932.

Next Settlement Day, Tuesday, November 29th, 1932.

STOCK	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nom.	Fin. Year	Last dividend and when paid
Banks						
Hong Kong Bank ...$	...	...	...	1650	Dec.	Interim $3 @ 1/31—$17.40 a/c 1932 ... Aug. 8, 32
„ (Lon. Reg.)...£	...	...	...	120		
Chartered Bank .....£	...	...	...	14	Dec.	Int. 7/- Sub. to I/Tax a/c 1932 ... Sept. —, 32
Mercantile Bk., A&B. £	...	...	...	18½		
„ C. £				9¼	Dec	Interim 6% less I/Tax a/c 193. ... Sept. —, 32
Bank of East Asia ...$	...	...	...	109	Dec.	$3 for 1931 ... Mar. 21, 32
Amer. O. Fin. Corp.M$	...	...	...	48	Dec.	
Ch. Fin. Cor. Ord. Tls.	...	...	...	3		
„ Pref. ...Tls.	...	...	...	4.60	...	
Insurances						
Canton Ins. .....$	...	...	...	1200	Dec.	Fin. $12 bon. $3 for 1931 ... Interim $10 a/c 1931 ... $15 May. 19, 32
Union Ins. .....$	...	...	...	512½	Dec.	Final 10% for 1931 ... Interim 2½% a/c 1931 ... May 27, 32
China Underwriters...$	2.85	...	...	...	Dec.	None ...
China Fire Ins. .....$	...	...	...	920	Dec.	Final $7 bonus $3 ... And $5 for 1931 ... Interim $1 a/c 1931 ... $6 May 27, 32
H. K. Fire Ins. .....$	...	...	...	1160	Dec	$30 and bonus $1 making $35 for 1930 ... Mar. 30, 32
International Assce. Tls.	4.20	...	...	...	Dec.	...
Shipping						
Douglases .....$	20	...	...	...	Dec	Last dividend for 1924 ...
H. K. Steamboats ....$	...	...	...	28½	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929 ...
Indo-China (Pref.) ...$	...	...	...	46		12½ per cent. 2/4 on preference for 1924 and 1925 ...
„ (Def.) ...$	...	...	...	92	Dec.	Last dividend for 1925 ... June 19, 29
Shells (Bearer) .....s/-	...	...	...	50/-	Dec.	1/6 Coupon No. 50 free I/Tax for 1931 ... July 6, 32
Union Waterboats ....$	21	...	...	...	Dec	40 cents for 1931 ... Mar. 30, 32
Mining						
Benguets .....$	...	...	...	18½	Dec	Accl. Int. 25 centavos a/c 1932 ... June 30, 32
Kailan Mining Ad. s/-	...	...	...	23/8	Jun.	2½ & free I/Tax O'pun 4% for year 31-6-32 ... May 10, 32
Langkats (Single)...Tls.	...	...	...	4	Oct.	T. 0.60 for year 31-10-29 ... Mar. 13, 30
S'thai Explorations..Tls.	...	...	...	2.10	Dec.	None ...
„ Loans .....Tls.	...	...	...	2.80	Dec.	Final T. 0.45 making T. 0.60 for 1931 ... Feb. 6, 32
Raubs .....$	...	...	...	10.40	Mar.	Second Int. 2/- year 31-3-33 ... Sept. 22, 32
Venezuela Gold Fields $	4.20	...	...	...	June	...
Benguet Explorations $	22cts.	...	22cts.	...	Dec.	...
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & K. Wharves $	148	...	...	...	Dec	$3 for 1931 ... Mar. 10, 32
H. K. & W. Docks...$	...	...	...	24	Dec	Last dividend for 1929 ...
South Ch. Motors (A) $	...	...	...	10		
(„B") $	...	...	...	8	June	...
China Providents (old) $	4½	...	...	...	Dec	10 cents on old 8 cents on new for 1931 ... Mar. 24, 32
„ (new) $	2	...	...	...		
Hongkews .....Tls.	...	...	...	220	Dec	Interim T. 3 a/c 1932 ... Sept. 30, 32
N. Engineerings ...Tls.	...	...	...	6.40	Dec	T. 0.25 for 1931 ... Mar. 8, 32
Shanghai Docks ...Tls.	...	...	...	99	Apr	T. 5 for year 30-4-32 ... July 30, 32
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.						
H. K. & S. Hls. (old) $	11.10	...	11½	...		
„ (New) $	...	...	...	11	Dec	6 cts. (old) 30 cts. (new) for 1931 ... Mar. 18, 32
H. K. Lands .....$	...	...	...	78	Dec.	Interim $2 a/c 1932 ... Aug. 12, 32
Shanghai Lands ...Tls.	...	...	...	24½	Dec.	Interim T/- 0.50 a/c 1932 ... July 30, 32
Metropolitan Lands Tls.	...	...	...	10	Sep.	T. 1 year 30-9-31 ... Oct. 28, 32
Humphreys .....$	...	...	...	15	Dec.	($1.20 on old 10 cents on new for 1931 ... Feb. 29, 32
H. K. Realties .....$	...	...	9.40	...	Dec.	Fin. 8 cts. mak. 60 cts. for 1931 ... Mar. 2, 32
Asia Realties "A"...M$	...	...	...	140	Dec.	
„ "B"...M$	...	...	...	28		
Chinese Estates .....$	...	...	...	100	Feb.	Final $6 making $8 a/c year 32-2-32 ... July 19, 32
China Realties .....Tls.	...	...	...	11.40		
China Debentures...Tls.	...	...	...	99½	...	...
Cotton Mills.						
Ewo Cottons .....Tls.	14.80	...	14.80	...	Dec.	Interim T. 0.35 a/c 1932 ... Sept. 3, 32
Shanghai Cottons ...Tls.	74	...	...	...	Apr. and Oct.	T. 2.50 for half year 30-4-32 ... May 31, 32
Zoong Sings .....Tls.	114	...	...	...	June	T. 0.40 for year 30-6-31 ... Oct. 6, 32
Wing On Textile S'hai$	...	...	...	145	...	...
Public Utilities						
H. K. Tramways .....$	...	...	...	22	Dec.	Interim 5 cts. a/c 1932 ... Aug. 15, 32
Peak Trams (old .....$	...	...	...	16½		$1 on old 5 cts on new for year 30-4-32 ...
„ (new) .....$	9	...	...	...	Apr.	... June 4, 32
Star Ferries .....$	...	...	...	94	Dec.	$9 for 1931 ... Feb. 11, 32
Yaumati Ferries (old) $	...	...	...	85		
„ (new) $	...	...	...	84½	Dec.	$1.75 for 193 ... Apr. 27, 32
China Light (old) .....$	...	17	17	...		
„ (new) .....$	...	16½	...	...	Sept.	60 cts. for year 30-6-31 ... Dec. 31, 32
H. K. Electrics .....$	78	...	78½	...	Dec.	$2.50 for 1931 ... Mar. 28, 32
Macao „ .....$	29	...	...	...	Dec.	...
Sandakan Lights .....$	...	...	...	12	June	None ...
H. K. Tels. (old) ...$	...	...	...	80	Dec.	Interim 4% a/c 1932 ... Aug. 8, 32
„ (new) ...$	...	28	...	...		
China Buses .....Tls.	...	...	...	10	Dec.	T. 0.90 for 1930 ... Feb. 25, 32
S'poreTractions(Ord.)s/-	...	...	...	2/-		
„ (Pref.)s/-	...	...	...	12/-	Sept.	7% on preference shares for year 30-9-31 ...
Industrials						
Malabon Sugars .....$	...	...	...	27½	Dec.	Pa. 4.50 for 1930 ... Mar. 4, 32
Cald: Macg. Ord...Tls.	...	...	...	14		T. 1 T. 0.50 for 1931 ...
„ Pref...Tl.	...	...	...	10½	Dec.	... Apr. 29, 32
Canton Ices .....$	...	...	...	6	July	25 cents for year 31-7-32 ... Oct. 19, 32
Cements (com.) .....$	18.05	18.10	18.10	...		
„ (old) .....$	...	...	...	11½	Dec.	45 cents on old 65 cents on new for 1931 ... Mar. 31, 32
„ (new) .....$	31	...	...	...		
H. K. Ropes .....$	...	...	...	12.20	Dec.	$5 cts. bonus 15 cts. mk. $1 for 1931 ... Apr. 7, 32
China Agriculturals ...$	...	10	...	...	Dec.	...
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farms .....$	38½	...	...	12½	Dec.	$1.75 for 1931 ... Mar. 2, 32
Watsons (old) .....$	...	...	...	12½	Oct.	80 cents on old for year 31-10-31 ... Apr. 19, 32
„ (new) .....$	...	...	...	11.40		...
Def A Wings .....$	...	...	...	1	...	30 cts. bonus 20 cts. for year making 50 cts. ... June 8, 32
Lane Crawfords .....$	...	...	...	5.60	Feb.	$3 bonus 50 cts. for year 29-2-32 ... Apr. 28, 32
Mackintosh .....$	...	...	...	21	Feb.	$1 bonus 50 cts. for year making $1.50 ... May 17, 32
Sincere .....$	...	...	...	15½	Feb.	5% & bonus 10 cts. for year making 85 cents ... Apr. 21, 32
Wm. Powells .....$	...	...	...	3.85	Feb.	
Wing On (H.K. ....$	...	...	...	235	...	...
Miscellaneous						
H. K. Amusements...$	...	...	...	16½	Mar.	$1.25 for year 31-5-32 ... Sept. 28, 32
Ch. Entertainment ...$	12½	...	12½	...	Dec.	60 cents for 1931 ... Mar. 23, 32
S. C. Enterprises .....$	...	...	...	31	Dec.	...
United Theatres ...Tls.	...	...	...	62	Dec.	...
Macao "Greyhounds" $	...	...	...	10	Dec.	...
Constructions (old) ...$	8.90	...	...	...		
„ (new) ...$	1.35	...	...	...	Dec.	40 cent. on old 1½ cent. on new for 1931 ... Apr. 5, 32
B. Ind. G$ Bonds ...$	69%	...	...	...		
H. K. Govt. Loans ...$	2½%	Prem.	...	...		Interest half yearly ...
Wallace Harpers & Co. $	...	10	...	...	Jan.	$2 for year 31-1-32 ... May 11, 32
China Sports Ltd. ...$	...	...	...	10	...	...

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CINEMA NOTES

MAIL REVIEW

"HAPPY ENDING"—QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Ian Hay's play "Happy Ending" has been adapted to the screen and directed by Millard Webb, and is the current attraction at the Queen's Theatre. The main interest of the thrilling story is focused on Denis Cradock, the weak philanderer, who his only daughter is brought up by her mother to believe, died an heroic death in the wreck of a liner.

George Barraud in the role of Cradock is admirable, and is at his best when he becomes an univited guest to his daughter's birthday party. This scene is brilliantly enacted with Daphne Courtenay, as the girl.

As the wife, Anne Grey is good, while Benita Hume and Alf Goddard, both render splendid support. Recommended!

MAIL REVIEW

"LOVE ME TO-NIGHT"—KING'S THEATRE.

Maurice Chevalier's latest starring picture, "Love Me To-night," directed by Rouben Mamoulian and featuring Jeanette MacDonald, Charlie Ruggles, Charles Butterworth and Myrna Joy is the current attraction at the King's Theatre.

Like previous pictures starring Chevalier, "Love Me To-night" is done in a humorous and whimsical vein, and is set to music. Most of the musical numbers, all written by Richard Rodgers and Lorenz Hart, are sung by the French star and Miss MacDonald, but other members of the cast join at one time or another.

"Poor Apache," "The Song of Paree," and "How Are You?" are titles of three numbers sung by Chevalier, who is heard in seven of the ten numbers.

Jeanette MacDonald, leading woman in the picture, sings five numbers, one a solo. And she is heard with Chevalier in "Love Me To-night," the theme song.

MAIL REVIEW

"DISRAELI"—STAR THEATRE.

George Arliss, the famous English actor, does his best work to date in "Disraeli" now playing at the Star Theatre. As the famous statesman who feared nothing and defied all, Arliss gives a memorable portrayal. He is well supported by Anthony Bushell, Mrs. Arliss and Joan Bennett, as the daughter. Highly recommended! It is certainly worth seeing again!

MAIL REVIEW

"CONGORILLA"—MAJESTIC THEATRE.

"Congorilla" now showing at the Majestic Theatre, is both travelogue and jungle drama. Yet it is more engrossing that most examples of either type. It is, in brief, a talking picture record of an expedition by the Martin Johnsons into Central Africa.

MAIL REVIEW

"AMBASSADOR BILL"—ORIENTAL THEATRE.

Will Rogers, the droll comedian who has made thousands laugh, is the leading player in Fox's production "Ambassador Bill" the current attraction at the Oriental Theatre, West Point. Rogers, who passed through the Colony in January this year, is excellently cast, and is supported by a large cast of players. A picture packed with laughs!

MAIL REVIEW

"TRAVELLING HUSBANDS"—CENTRAL THEATRE.

Evelyn Brent, Frank Albertson and Constance Cummings, head the large cast in "Travelling Husbands" which is the current attraction at the Central Theatre.

Humphrey Pearson who is both responsible for the story and adaption, has given us something new in the way of entertainment. He gives us a change from the usual gangster racket, and in producing "Travelling Husbands" has taken a slice out of life buttered with excellent humour, the result of which will be relished by all who seek relief from the much exploited heavy type of films.

GALA NIGHT AT PENINSULA.

Talented Artists On Programme.

AUSTRALIAN DANCERS.

There is to be a gala night dinner dance in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel on Saturday, November 19, when two special attractions will be included in the evening's entertainment.

The accomplished ball-room artists, Hugo and Josephine, who have during the past six weeks delighted patrons with their exceedingly clever dancing displays, will present further attractive numbers. This will be the final occasion to see these versatile performers here and admirers of the art should not miss the opportunity.

To appear for the first time in Hong Kong, hailing from the Canidrome in Shanghai, are two charming Australian girls, the sisters, Misses Layne and Marie Maye, who have scored a sensational success before the Shanghai public. They are most entertaining.

The management of The Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd. has secured these sisters for a season and their performances will be welcomed here.

Anticipating a bumper attendance for the first night, the management advises reservation early.

Subject to permission yet to be obtained, the Rose Room will remain open for after dinner dancing until 1 a.m.

POPPY DAY FUND DONATIONS.

Further subscriptions to the Poppy Day Fund are as follows:—

Previously acknowledged :	$6,889.26
Chinese Maritime Customs, Wuchow	54.10
Gloucester Building	50.00
	$6,993.36

Further contributions may be sent to Messrs. Thomson and Co., Chartered Accountants, York Building, Hong Kong.

HELENA MAY GROUP EXPANSION.

Sound Finances At End Of Year.

The annual meeting of subscribing members of the Helena May Institute was held yesterday with Mrs. J. R. Wood (President) in the chair.

In connection with the Kowloon Branch, it was reported that early next year it is hoped to move into larger premises. The statement of accounts showed a balance in hand of $3,744.34.

The report referred to the many activities during the past season, in which concerts played an important part.

The report and accounts were passed.

AMAZING CHARGE AGAINST CHINESE.

Gigantic Fraud Alleged By Prosecution.

Amazing allegations of how a man was able to seize a vast business in Hong Kong, with ramifications in French Indo-China, run it in the way he willed, and keep the partners and shareholders in subjugation for a period of years, were made by the prosecution when the preliminary trial opened at the Central Police Court yesterday afternoon of Chan Sik-nin, well-known Hong Kong merchant and former Director of the Tung Wah Hospital, now charged with fraud.

There are four charges against the accused, of forging and uttering a power of attorney, and by its means to have seized, controlled and managed the Chinese medicine business known as the King Fook Wo, of 66, Bonham Strand East, and to have misappropriated monies, goods and chattels of the firm to the extent of over a lakh.

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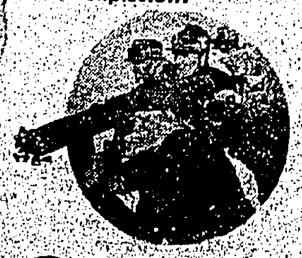

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G. R.

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Applicants should obtain application form from the Water Authority, Public Works Department, to whom the forms should be returned when duly completed.

R. M. HENDERSON,
Water Authority.
Public Works Department.
Hong Kong, 1st September, 1932.

SPORTS NOTICES.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FOURTEENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (Weather Permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 19th November, 1932, commencing at 2 p.m.

The First Bell will be Rung at 1.30 p.m.

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Members are notified that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed.

No One without a Badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at $5.00 for Gentlemen and $3.00 for Ladies (Both including Tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon Introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for Payment of All Chits, &c.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

On No Pretext will Children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered from the No. 1 Boy in advance. Telephone 21920.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is $2.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac Men, &c., will not be permitted to operate within the Precincts of the Hongkong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

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Outlook For Business Recovery.

With attention converged as it now is upon the question of British trade recovery, the actual course of business seems at the moment to be regarded with somewhat mixed impression. Gratification at signs of improvement from the recent very low level of activity is tempered with something of disappointment that revival is so slow. Even in regard to trades which now make gratifying comparison with a few months ago, doubts are occasionally expressed whether that is anything more than the usual increased activity of Autumn. Of this it may at least be said that occurrence of actual Autumn trade expansion, even if only "seasonal," would itself mark a salutary change. In 1931 and 1930 the season failed to produce any such improvement; statistical indices of industrial activity showed continuing reaction throughout the Autumn. But there are other considerations to be kept in mind. Emphatic business recovery, when so protracted a period of industrial depression has run its course, always comes slowly; in the nature of things, reversal of trend cannot occur with the overnight suddenness of an upturn on the Stock Exchange. In other years when recovery after a period of depression turned out to have foreshadowed a great economic change, the preliminary revival was sometimes confident, affecting practically every branch of trade. More often, however, it was uncertain, irregularly distributed among the different industries, and not infrequently followed by something of reaction when deferred and imperative requirements had been filled. All this makes it interesting to inquire just what has happened or is happening in general trade. It is evident that trade as a whole is at the present moment doing distinctly better than at the time when the financial situation seemed to be at its darkest, six months ago. It is equally evident that improvement has been uneven. The country's production of steel last month, for instance, was at the low level of the period, and it has recovered only from 13 per cent. of capacity at the end of August to 15½ per cent. On the other hand, the textile industry has begun to display remarkable activity. The report of the Cotton Textile Merchants' Association made the sales of cotton cloths in August 50 per cent. above the year's previous best monthly record and nearly 40 per cent. above this season in years like 1928. It is quite in line with experience that such industries as clothing and footwear should lead in recovery as they have done; for the primary cause of sudden increase in consumption of goods, after prolonged postponement of purchases, is replenishment of exhausted supplies, and wearing apparel will be the first to feel that need. Some other producing industries may have to await a more general movement of recovery. The steel trade, for example, depends greatly for its orders on activity in building construction, railway maintenance and output of motor cars, and those three sources of demand have perhaps been affected most severely of all in the trade depression, have shown as yet little symptom of recovery, and are likely to be slow in actual revival. Nevertheless, the condition of abnormally low supplies exists in this as in all industries. Against the present 15 or 16 per cent. "capacity output" of the steel producers we have the tradition, cited a year or two ago by The Iron Age, that "rock-bottom requirements of an economically strong and growing country for such products "exceed a 50 to 60 per cent. production." Taking consumption and production as a whole, the fact is evident enough that, in Wall Street's phrase, "the corner has been turned." Business recovery, even if slow, is real. It is possible that, in other industries than textiles, return of financial confidence, with existing supplies at a wholly abnormal minimum, may presently cause such inrush of orders, which cannot be quickly filled, as to give decided stimulus to activity. This is at any rate what happened in 1922 and 1909 and 1895, in immediate sequence to the extreme retrenchment of a severe depression. Even on those occasions, however, the spectacular trade recovery did not outlast replacement of imperatively necessary supplies. The subsequent course of business revival was slow and tollsome, while the numerous handicaps left by a gravely disordered financial situation were being surmounted. But the general trend was unmistakable. What economists call the "upward curve" continued, and the low level of activity reached in the preceding climax of discouragement was not approached again.

HERE, THERE and EVERYWHERE.

Residents in the out-lying districts of Kowloon would welcome a change in traffic rules regarding buses not being allowed to overtake other buses in motion, en route. There is no danger if the thoroughfare is clear. It is, at times, most annoying when the driver simply ignores any chance to pass a buss ahead, even when the road is clear, and is content to "crawl" along.

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Excursioners to Macao on the Taishan on Sunday were treated to some delightful string music by the Moonshine Melody Makers. Three of their number crooned a number of the melodies. The Stein song, proved a popular number when leaving from Hong Kong and from Macao on the return journey. Some of the passengers indulged in dancing.

Your Daily Smile.

A POSER.

The London County Hall has been found to move with the tides. This raises the problem whether the minutes should now read: "On the motion of the County Hall the Council adjourned."

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ELEMENTARY, WATSON.

A footballer states that at the beginning of the season he is all aches. Shooting pains, of course.

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MADE TO ORDER.

SALESMAN: The gentleman wants to know if the coat will shrink.

CHIEF: Is it too large?

"Yes."

"Of course it will shrink."

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THE SURE CURE.

"I am so weak, doctor,' the chronic female complainer said.

"Take an iron tonic," replied the doctor.

"I have been taking one," she replied, "but it hasn't done me any good. I am so weak that I can hardly walk a dozen yards."

"Take a taxi," he growled.

Facts You Did Not Know.

A fabric trunk that can be adjusted to hold varied amounts of clothing has been invented that can be fitted to any automobile baggage rack or running board.

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A Boston man has invented a system of whirling blades to be mounted behind an automobile winshield to break up the glare from approaching headlights.

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With an area of 26,935 square miles the Irish Free State has 46,462 miles of improved and surfaced highways, forming a network that covers the country.

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Materials used in the construction of the Hoover dam are being tested in a Denver building with a machine that has a crushing power of 4,000,000 pounds.

News in Brief.

One case of diphtheria was notified to the health authorities on Tuesday.

Mr. D. Maclachlin will speak on "History and Reincarnation" at the usual weekly public lecture of the Hong Kong Lodge, the Theosophical Society, 17, Queen's Road Central, to-day at 6 p.m.

In connection with the St. Andrew's Ball on November 25, a reel practice was held yesterday from 5.30 to 7 p.m. in the Peninsula Hotel, and another is to be held next Tuesday, at the same time.

The Hong Kong Art Club will hold its annual exhibition this year on the eighth floor of Gloucester Building, on December 7, 8 and 9, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day. As the local talent is of a distinctly high standard, another delightful series of paintings, sketches, photographs and decorative work may be looked forward to.

Personal Pars.

Mr. Bhagat Singh Bugga was a passenger on the s.s. "Sirdhana" which arrived in port yesterday.

Mr. R. W. I. Band and Mr. R. N. Breene arrived in Hong Kong from Singapore yesterday by the s.s. "Sirdhana."

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Labour Antics And Lords Reform

GOVERNMENT PROCEDURE

After reading Sir Alfred Hopkinson's excellent article on House of Lords reform, and the speeches on Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland's resolution at the Blackpool Conference, I felt that I had not lived in vain.

For both Sir Alfred Hopkinson and Sir Arthur Maitland advocated, sometimes in almost identical terms, the points which I have pressed for years.

In one point Sir Alfred Hopkinson is immeasurably superior to Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland and Lord Rankeillour and the rest. He has the comprehension and the courage to proclaim that the first step to any real reform is the repeal of the Parliament Act, which he rightly calls "that misbegotten monstrosity." As I have so often shown, it was conceived in fraud and carried by violence. It never received the sanction of the British electors, for the majority was composed of 84 Irish Sinn Feiners, who voted for it only as a means of escape from the British Parliament. As for the 42 trades-unionist members, will anyone maintain that they, at that time a purely sectional group, were sufficient warrant for a great revolutionary change? The Liberals and Conservatives, as everybody knows, tied, their numbers being exactly equal.

Purge the Statute Book.

The ground must be cleared and the Statute Book purged of this infamous Act. Otherwise Reform will be lost in the swamps of compromises and amendments. How else can you get rid of the suspensory veto? At present if a Bill is carried in three successive sessions it becomes law without the assent of the House of Lords. In other words, if a Socialist-Labour Party should have a real majority, and were agreed upon anything, it would only be necessary to be patient for three sessions, about two years and a bittock, to carry the most revolutionary measure you can imagine.

How is it that has never happened in the past 22 years? The answer is the War, and post-War politics, and the fact that the Socialist-cum-Labour Party has never had a majority sufficiently large and sufficiently harmonious to persist in any policy.

With regard to the constitutional maxim that the power of taxing is in the Commons alone, Sir Alfred Hopkinson is sufficiently Conservative to retain this practice, safeguarded by two provisos: (1) that a Money Bill shall be confined to its legitimate function of providing for the expenditure of the current year; (2) that what is known as "tacking" shall not be permissible.

Gladstone, the great artificer of constitutional frauds, was the first Chancellor to practise tacking. The Lords having rejected a Bill to reduce the paper duty, Gladstone calmly smuggled the clause into his next Budget.

Vigilance Necessary.

Standing Orders or resolutions of the House of Commons were passed to prohibit tacking, but they have either been repealed or disregarded. Indeed, as nearly all legislation is nowadays concerned with money, it requires the utmost vigilance to detect or prevent tacking. A Bill, for instance, is passed to settle the remuneration of school teachers, which has nothing to do with the current national needs, but is intended to be permanent; it must contain financial provisions. If this is certified by the Speaker as a Money Bill it is removed from the jurisdiction of the House of Lords.

Lord Rankeillour, who has been Deputy-Speaker and Chairman of Ways and Means, said that there was no measure, however revolutionary, as, for instance, the Disestablishment of the Church, or the abolition of the House of Lords, that might not be passed into law within five weeks without the assent of the Lords, by an unscrupulous use of the Parliament Act. We have hitherto been saved from this fate merely by the tradition of the Chair. That is a frail safeguard. If it should come to be disregarded—as who can doubt that it will, be?—there would be nothing to protect the nation from a Lansbury, a Kirkwood, a Cripps, or a Jack Jones in the Chair but the Royal veto, which still exists. The magic words "Le Roi le veult" must still be pronounced by the Clerk of Parliament at the table of the House of Lords before an Act becomes a Law. It will be an evil day if this centuries-old formula has to be changed into "Le Roi s'avisera" or "Le Roi ne veult."

Personally, I regard the maxim that the power of taxing lies solely in the Commons as "a creed outworn," a survival from the days when the Crown and the nobles were the enemies. As all the financial magnates are to-day peers, I see no reason why the nation should be deprived of their advice, and I should welcome the placing of the Budget and all Money Bills in the same position as other Bills.

Composition of the House.

The composition of the House of Lords strikes me as the least important part of the question. Sir Alfred Hopkinson suggests life peers, to which I have no objection, provided they are not elected or nominated by the Sovereign on the advice of the Prime Minister. The great thing is to compose your Second Chamber of independent, educated gentlemen. Perhaps they might be nominated on the advice of a joint committee, such as now sits to advise on the distribution of honours and rewards. When a list was published the other day of some 150 gentlemen whom Asquith would have advised the King to create peers to carry the Parliament Act, it was astonishing what a respectable, unexceptionable list it was. The truth is that there are always walking about the West End hundreds of potential peers, untitled noblemen, uncoroneted lords.

This question of a strengthened Second Chamber has been made more urgent by the antics of the Labour Party Conference. Uncle Arthur proved to be quite incompetent to drive his three fiery steeds, the Communists, the Trade Unionists and the Socialist intelligentsia, to say nothing of the Independent Labour Party jeering outside.

Curiously, the most egregious nonsense was talked by three gentlemen who had all held office under the Crown, one as a Cabinet Minister, and who had all enjoyed the advantage of what is supposed to be the best education this country can afford. Sir Charles Trevelyan, ex-Minister of Education, was educated at Harrow and Trinity, Cambridge, Dr. Dalton at Eton and King's, and Mr. Pethick Lawrence (former Financial Secretary to the Treasury) at Eton and Trinity. I don't count Sir Stafford Cripps among the donkeys—his nonsense is calculated. He is of the same revolutionary lawyer breed as his father and Sir William Jowitt.

Mr. Lawrence's "Gumption."

But the effervescent "rubbidge" poured forth by Sir Charles Trevelyan and Dr. Dalton on the subject of banking would make a cat laugh, and was actually rebuked by Mr. Ernest Bevin, who caustically observed that this question was not to be settled by "rhetoric." Mr. Pethick Lawrence, who has been inside the Treasury, had just enough gumption to plead for delay.

The relations between the Bank of England and the Treasury, and the duties of the Governor of the Bank, may require revision. But with regard to the joint stock banks, if they came under political control they would cease to exist, for nobody would trust them with his money.

Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland's resolution that a measure for the reform of the Second Chamber should be carried during the life of the present Parliament was carried unanimously by the Blackpool Conference, and is, therefore, as clear and as imperative a mandate as could be conveyed from a party to its leaders.

Yet I doubt whether it will be obeyed. Messrs. MacDonald and Thomas can hardly be keen about it. Messrs. Simon and Runciman may think there are other more urgent problems. And Mr. Baldwin invariably throws cold water on any policy that does not originate from himself.

LARGE CROWD GREETS VICE-REGAL PARTY

Sir William And Lady Peel Return.

NAVAL SHIPS' SALUTE.

Looking fresh and fit after his long vacation in England, His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.C.B., accompanied by Lady Peel, arrived back in the Colony this morning on the s.s. Ranpura.

A large crowd gathered at Queen's Pier to welcome Sir William, who landed at 11 a.m. and left for Government House five minutes later after exchanging greeting with the assembled officials and others.

Gun salutes were fired from H.M.S. Devonshire and the U.S.S. Houston as His Excellency left the liner on the launch "Britannia."

Sir William and Lady Peel were scheduled to land at Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. this morning, but the P. and O. liner did not berth at Kowloon until 10 a.m. His Excellency, the Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G., and Mrs. Southorn went to the ship to meet the returning couple.

Dressed in a grey flannel suit and a soft felt hat, Sir William looked exceptionally well, as did Lady Peel, who was dressed in a neat navy blue costume with a blue cloche hat to match.

Among those present to greet His Excellency at the pier were:—

His Excellency the G.O.C., Major-General J. W. Sandilands, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Sir William Hornell, Sir Shou-son Chow, the Commodore, Captain E. Mc. D. Wyndham Lawrie, the Right Rev. Bishop Valtorta, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Halifax, the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Patterson, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, the Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood, the Hon. Mr. W. H. Bell, Capt. G. R. M. Cameron, Lt.-Col. G. T. Raikes, Col. A. R. Godwin-Austen, Mr. G. R. Sayer, Mr. M. K. Lo, representatives of the Chinese Community, the Consular Body, and many prominent residents, including a number of ladies.

EARL RUSSELL STANDS BAIL FOR AGITATOR.

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He had sent a letter, headed Moscow, which apparently reached England by hand, addressed to Llewellyn or Hannington. The letter in question was seized on November 1 when the police were searching the National Unemployed Movement offices in relation to another matter. His letter made reference to the fact that he was conveying his directions "for the Fitern." (Fitern is a Soviet Body).

Carefully Laid Plans.

Proposals were made in the letter regarding how the unemployed were to deal with the "police terror" in connection with the recent Birkenhead and Liverpool disturbances. The necessity for street agitation was emphasised, as well as agitation to dismiss the Chief of Police.

Further suggestions were to organise brief strikes among employed groups in favour of abolition of the Means Test, to draw the Trade Union branches into demonstrations and to organise various other ways of complaint.

Complaint was made in the letter of the absence of information from England, because of which "I cannot give explanations to my Russian comrades." The letter was signed by "Sid," and the police recognised the handwriting as that of Elias.

Elias has been in custody since his arrest. Earl Russell is a well-known writer and has published treatises on Communism, among other things, but under the name Bertrand Russell. He has relinquished his title. While his work is brilliant, his writings are strongly reactionary and he is known for his radical doctrines.—Reuter.

Wearing an old tunic of a private in the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, a Northern Chinese was charged before Mr. Butters at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with trespassing on military land at Shamshuipo. He pleaded guilty and was fined $10 or two weeks.

BROKERS INVOLVED IN COURT FIGHT.

Sequel To Battle With Fists.

In the Central Police Court this morning, before Mr. Schofield, Mr. R. C. H. Lim made application for rehearing in a cross-summons brought by Dr. Fred Kew, a broker, against Mr. Yau Lok-tin, another broker, for assault. On the original summons in which Mr. Yau was complainant and Dr. Kew was defendant, both parties were bound over.

Mr. Lim said that his client struck Dr. Kew in self-defence. The law, he said, stated that one is entitled to attack in order to repulse a further attack. The evidence tended to show that Dr. Kew was the aggressive party.

His Worship fixed hearing for Saturday, November 26.

COPPER SHIPMENT FOR COLONY.

Britain Will Meet Shortage Here.

In order to meet the shortage of copper coins now in circulation in the Colony, it is understood that the British Government will send two shipments of coins to Hong Kong, the first shipment comprising 500,000 coins, is expected to arrive at the end of December.

The first consignment will contain 40 cases, each holding 12,500 coins.

The second consignment of 60 cases, containing in all 750,000 coins, is expected to arrive here on January 13, next year.

PROMINENT BANKER GOING HOME.

Mr. A. H. Ferguson To Return To London.

Mr. A. H. Ferguson, Manager in Hong Kong, of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, will be severing his connections with the East next week end, when he leaves for the London office of the Bank, on transfer, by s.s. Corfu.

Mr. Ferguson first joined the Bank in 1899, in London. Three years later he left for the East, going to Penang and Sumatra. In 1909 Mr. Ferguson came to the Colony for the first time and remained here until 1915.

In that year he went on home leave and received further promotion, being sent to the New York Office.

Finally in 1920 he came to the Colony and has remained here ever since.

To-morrow at the Hong Kong Hotel, Mr. Ferguson will be the recipient of a presentation from his many Chinese friends.

"SEPARATIONIST" PARTY FAILS IN BURMA ELECTION.

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Earlier Returns.

London, To-day.

Answering a question in the House of Commons, regarding the Burmese elections, the Secretary for India, Sir Samuel Hoare, said that according to his latest information the position was:—

Anti-Separationist Parties	39
Separationist Parties	29
Neutrals	9
Results to come	8

The position, he said, was not yet clear but he had good reason to believe that many of those who voted for anti-separation candidates were still under the mistaken impression that it was open to Burma to enter the Indian Federation on terms that would enable her to leave it when she wished.

The Prime Minister indicated on January 12, and he himself had stated in sufficiently plain terms on June 27, that this was not a contingency which Government was prepared to contemplate.

The alternatives before Burma were, on one hand, separation from India in the immediate future and pursuit of her own political destiny on a basis of a constitution outlined by the Prime Minister on January 12, and on the other entry into the Indian Federation in which case she would remain a province of India and would be treated in exactly the same way as any other province, and would have no means at her disposal for withdrawing from the Federation.—British Wireless Service.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.'s):—

12.30-2 p.m.—Luncheon programme of Victor records.
1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News, etc.
2-5 p.m.—A programme of Victor records. (Unannounced).
5-5.30 p.m.—Musical Comedy.
Hit the Deck—Vocal Gems
Light Opera Company C1433
Five O'Clock Girl—Selection
New Mayfair Orchestra C1658.
Dear Love—Vocal Gems
Light Opera Company C1809.
Selection of Leslie Stuart's Songs
Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards C1628.
5.30-6 p.m.—
A relay of the 1st Three Items of the Concert given by Mrs. N. Matheison and Mr. A. M. Bower-Smith from the Helena May Institute, by courtesy of the Committee.
6-6.35 p.m.—Orchestral.
Carmen Suite—Gypsy Dance (Bizet)
Carmen Suite—Intermezzo and Les Dragons d'Alcala (Bizet)
Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Leopold Stokowski 6783.
Carmen Suite— March of the Smugglers (Bizet)
Carmen Suite— Soldiers Changing the Guard (Bizet)
Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra directed by Leopold Stokowski 6874.
Hansel and Gratel—Overture (Humperdinck)
Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra of New York 7436.
Finlandia (Sibelius)
Leopold Stokowski & the Philadelphia Orchestra 7412.
7 p.m.—(Stock Quotations, etc.)
6.35-7.10 p.m.—Instrumental.
Piano Solo—
Variations on Themes from Carmen Bizet-Horowitz)
Vladimir Horowitz.
Mazurka in C Sharp Minor (Chopin)
Vladimir Horowitz 1327.
'Cello Solo—
Songs my Mother Taught Me (Dvorak)
Flight of the Bumble Bee (Rimsky-Korsakow)
Song Without Words, in D (Mendelssohn)
Pablo Casals 7193.
Piano Solo—
Die Fledermaus
Paraphrase (The Bat)
(Strauss-Godowsky)
Benno Moiseivitch 7257.
Violin Solo—
Shepherd' Madrigal (Kreisler)
Cypsy Caprice (Kreisler)
Fritz Kreisler 6712.
7.10-7.45 p.m.—Variety.
Vocal Trio—
Somebody Loves You
The Pickens Sisters 22965.
Organ Solo—
Over the Waves
Bob Fowler 23524.
Humorous Song—
The One I Love Just Can't Be Bothered with Me
Johnny Marvin 22348.
Orchestral—
Maori
Green Brothers' Marimba Orchestra 22785.
Chorus—
Blue Shadows
The Revelers 21765
Orchestral—
Wanna Lot O' Love
Don Azpiazu & His Havana Casino Orchestra 22729.
Song—
I'd Do Anything for You
Helen Kane 22080.
Vocal Trio—
Too Many Tears
The Pickens Sisters 22965.
Organ Solo—
Danube Waves
Bob Fowler 23524.
Song—
Lazy Lou'siana Moon
Johnny Marvin 22348.
Chorus—
Dusky Stevedore.
The Revelers 21765.
Orchestral—
Green Eyes
Don Azpiazu & His Havana Casino Orchestra 22729.
Song—
He's So Unusual
Helen Kane 22080
7.45-8 p.m.—
A relay of the Drums of the 1st Battn. South Wales Borderers from Murray Barracks, by courtesy of the Drum Major and the Officer Commanding.
8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
8.3-9 p.m.
"H.M.S. Pinafore" (Gilbert & Sullivan)—2nd & 3rd Acts—Recorded under the direction of Rupert D'Oyly Carte, 9941/9949.
9-10 p.m.—Dance Programme.
Fox Trot—
I'm Forgetting Myself for You
Sheltered by the Stars Cradled by the Moon 6366.
I'll Never be the Same
We Just Couldn't Say Goodbye 6350.
A Great Big Bunch of You
Waltz—
In a Shanty in Old Shanty Town MR555.
Fox Trot—
As Long As Love Lives On
I Guess I'll Have to Change my Plan 6363.
The Lady I Love 6356.
Happy-Go-Lucky You and Broken Hearted Me MR559.
Waltz—
Masquerade
Fox Trot—
My Heart's at Ease
Lonesome Me 6364.
The Triple Cheer
(*Continued at foot of next Column.*)

THE VANISHING TRICK

By Charles Davy.

I AM a conjurer — out of work. I shall have to get back to it, because it's my living. But not at once. My hand isn't steady yet.

Most of my jobs are private—smoking concerts, bazaars, parties, and so on. I'm pretty good with cards and I don't mind working under people's noses. In the summer I generally fix up with a concert party, round the seaside towns. I can take a turn in a chorus—had to learn how, for that. It's a change from town work and keeps you going through August.

Well, I'm not working now because of a chance meeting and what happened afterwards. I know what I saw and I know I wasn't dreaming. Anyway, a conjurer doesn't believe in such things—much.

My bad luck started when I got a job at a church bazaar at Hastings. I was due at the hall early in the afternoon; so I went down in the morning and took a walk along the promenade—I'm fond of the sea. I knew I'd want a bit of food before the show; I looked out for a place, and presently I saw a little hotel—"open to non-residents." I thought that would suit me because I like my meals quiet, and sure enough there were only three other people there and they'd started ahead of me. A funny little waiter was running round, and as soon as I saw him I knew I'd seen him before—where, I couldn't think. I fancied he knew me too, but he didn't want to show it. So I sat wondering—and then I remembered.

It had been while I was up on the East Coast, the summer before. I was with a concert party, a good one. We had the pier pavilion at Birling for a fortnight, changing the programme, of course, a bit every day. I was working a vanishing trick, among others. Just the usual thing—vanishing a girl from a box and finding her in a cabinet. Vanishing tricks are always popular—I used to do it at almost every performance. I'd picked up the box second-hand. It was old-fashioned, but it was simple and fairly quick. It never let me down.

Well, one morning I'd gone to the pavilion for letters. Afterwards I was standing on the pier, watching some old fellows fishing, when a little, middle-aged man came and stood beside me. I thought I'd seen him in the audience a few nights before, but I wasn't sure. After a bit he said: "You're the conjurer, aren't you? I saw your performance. I hope you don't mind my speaking to you?"

He seemed nervous, so I said no, I didn't mind; what did he want? Anything I could do for him?

"Yes," he said, "I had an idea. Now that box trick of yours—when you vanish the girl—that's a good one." He looked at me—a quick sort of anxious look. "But it's got a weak spot, hasn't it?"

I thought he was going to tell me how it was done. There's always someone in every audience who knows all the tricks better than you do. So to humour him I just said, "Oh, what's that?"

"You use a confederate," he said. "That spoils it. Now, this is my idea. Why don't you get someone from the audience and vanish *him!*"

This was a new one to me. I'd never thought of it—never heard of anyone trying it. How easy d'you think it'd be to get someone to step on the stage and lie down in a box? Besides, those boxes aren't automatic—only I wasn't going to say so, straight off.

"All right," I said, "but who'd come? No chance of it."

"I'd come," he said, "Why not take me on—show me how to do it? I don't look like a confederate, do I?"

He was right there. He was short, perhaps fifty, with a drooping moustache and blinking eyes—the kind of man you might find behind the counter of a little shop of his own. No one'd ever think he was part of the show.

"What's the idea?" I said. "Want to see how it's done?"

"No," he said. "Never mind that. I just want a chance to do it. I'm small—you want a small man, don't you?"

"He'd have to be pretty small," I said. I began to see points in the idea. A bit of a novelty always goes down well. I knew there was nobody in the pavilion just then. "Look here," I said, "if you're serious, we'll have a rehearsal. I don't mind trying it—but you wouldn't get anything for it, you know. Wouldn't be worth my while."

He shook his head. I could see he was absolutely set on the idea. Probably hadn't ever thought I'd agree.

"I don't want anything," he said. "It's just my fancy. You show me now, can you? It won't take long, will it?"

Well, to cut the story short, I took him inside, got the box out and showed him how it worked. He just had to press a catch and slip down under the stage, through a trap. Then he had to go round and work the false door of the cabinet, from the back. It was simple enough, and he was quick at it, too.

"That's all right," he said, when he'd done it twice. "I'll be here on Tuesday. I've promised to bring my wife. I'll get a seat at the end of a row. You ask for someone to step up and then look at me, see? Make it easy for me!"

I still didn't know what he was getting at, but I agreed. I thought very likely he wouldn't be there after all, when it came to the point. Anyway, I thought, I'd look out for him, and if he wasn't there I'd do the trick in the ordinary way. I didn't see that much harm could come from trying it.

As soon as I'd agreed he scuttled off. Seemed to be in a hurry. I stayed on the pier a bit, watching the fishing and wondering what he was up to. By the time I went home I was beginning to feel sorry I'd ever listened to him.

However, Tuesday night came and there he was in the front row, with a big, powerful-looking woman, red-faced, next to him. He caught my eye, but gave no sign. At length I brought out the box trick, almost meaning to do it in the usual way. But I'd promised him. So I went to the front of the stage and worked a bit of patter—about anyone who wanted to make himself scarce, and so on. I looked at my little man—he was out of his seat like a knife. I thought the woman next to him—his wife, I supposed—was mighty surprised, but she didn't say anything. Perhaps she was too surprised. She just stared, very red in the face.

Well, I could see there were people in the audience who knew my little man. That was good for me. Made it seem more natural. I put him in the box, waved the wand, opened the

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TO-MORROW'S STORY.

To-morrow's short story will be "The Seventh Snake," by W. Gilhespy.

PRINCE CHEERED BY BELFAST CROWDS.

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One Killed In Dublin.

Dublin, Nov. 12.

Armistice Day rioting which continued until early this morning resulted in one death and injury to more than 50 persons, as Republicans paraded through the streets, fighting police and civil guards, burning British flags and tearing up Armistice Day poppies.

More than 1,000 anti-imperialists paraded, paralyzing traffic.

"We'll crown de Valera King of Ireland," the crowd shouted.

Windows were smashed and automobiles overturned. It was not until well after midnight that police were able to restore order, after many of the rioters had gone to bed.

WASHINGTON PREPARES FOR HUNGER MARCHERS.

Washington, Nov. 12.

The Washington Herald to-day said the District of Columbia commissioners were considering declaring martial law and calling out the District national guard to police thousands of hunger marchers expected here when congress convenes in December.—U.P.

COAST DEFENCE PRACTICE.

Gun practice for the weeks ending November 19 and 26 will be as follows:—

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Through upsetting a tricycle on which he was riding in Queen's Road West, near the Taiping Theatre, a Chinese youth, aged 16 years, sustained injuries to his face, and was sent to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

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The Princeton Cannon Song March
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Good Night Poor Harvard
March—
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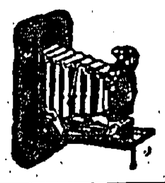

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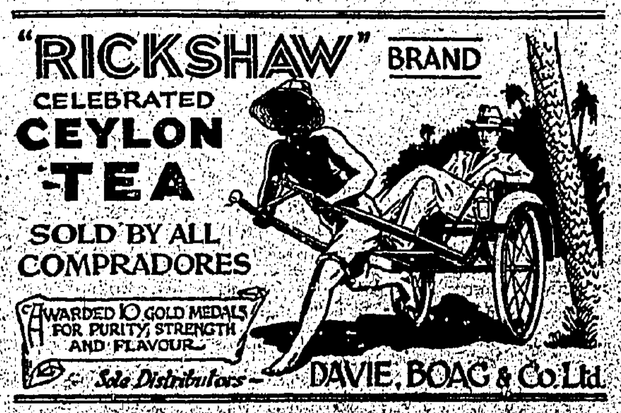

Barnes Gives Navy Last-Minute Draw

Four Unconverted Tries In Army-Navy Duel

LOCKLEY'S FINE DISPLAY

(By TOUCH JUDGE.)

A magnificent try scored by Barnes in the last few seconds of the game enabled the Navy rugger fifteen to draw with the Army after an evenly matched struggle at Sookunpoo yesterday afternoon. No score could have been a truer indication of the game. The Army took the honours in the first half, but the Navy deserved their points on the run of play in the second half.

The game was maintained at a fast pace throughout, and was full of excellent movements, the footwork of both sets of forwards being a feature of the game.

The Army opened the scoring three minutes after the kick off, when MacFarlan picked up near the line and dropped over midway between the corner flag and the goal-posts. Lloyd failed to add the goal points from an easy angle.

It was not until the game was halfway through the second half that Barnes equalised for the Navy, Doggett failing with the kick. The Army's second try came almost immediately after the Navy had scored and was the best try of the match. Hamilton broke away, and almost reached the line before passing to Martin who slithered over the line after being tackled. Lloyd's kick from an awkward angle went just outside the post.

When the game seemed lost to the Navy, a nice movement sent Lockley away, and, getting rid of the ball at exactly the right moment, he enabled Barnes to cross near the corner flag. Doggett's kick missed by inches only.

ARMY SUPERIOR.

The first half of the game saw the Army vastly the superior side, especially in the opening quarter, when their three-quarter line launched attack after attack. It was only the stolid defensive tactics of the Navy forwards that prevented several tries after the opening points. The Navy threes handled badly during this period, and fumbled passes made many an opening for the dashing Army forwards, who heeled exceedingly well in the loose. The second half saw a remarkable change in the Navy team, when they adopted the offensive immediately after the resumption of play. In the tight scrums they were seldom at fault and secured the ball with monotonous regularity, and proved easily the heavier pack.

The Army team underwent several slight changes. Prior was again an absentee, and Crewe-Read moved back into the three's in place of Shaw. Jones took his place in the pack.

MARTIN BRILLIANT.

Birt at full back was very uncertain in his tackling, and his touch-finding was faulty, while he was inclined to hang on to the ball too long, putting his line in danger on several occasions.

Among the threes Martin was his usual brilliant self, but was well marked and not afforded many opportunities of breaking through. Hamilton combined well with him and showed a lively turn of speed, his weight helping him until the Navy started to tackle in real earnest.

Crewe-Read, playing for the first time at centre-three-quarter, proved more useful in that position than he does in the pack. He handled and passed with great confidence.

Hoskins at the base of the scrum played a sterling game, and kept Woods in subjection; whenever the ball reached Woods Hoskins arrived simultaneously on urgent business. Stevens made plenty of openings, but was inclined to run to the "blind side" when no opportunity presented itself. He cut through on occasions to make useful ground.

Tratt, hooking for the Army had a better opposite and did not get an even share of the ball, but he and Suter were outstanding in the loose. The latter headed many of the forward rushes and controlled the ball admirably. Hardy was as usual boisterous but was offside on several occasions when he could have been useful.

Lloyd, who took the goal kicks, was not up to his usual kicking form, otherwise he would have added a couple of points to the first try. His second shot, however, was a beauty, but the angle was very difficult. MacFarlan took a penalty kick from almost the halfway line and only missed narrowly.

LOCKLEY PROMINENT.

Lockley was the stalwart of the Navy team, and the Army defenders were hard put to cope with his speed and anticipation. He was really responsible for the equalising try, and in the opening stages of the game was the only Navy three who appeared to have handled a Rugby ball before.

Martin at full back played an excellent game and handled well, fielding the ball with unfailing regularity, and finding touch well. Laraway, on the wing, got away once or twice, but was found out of position more than once. Barnes was a useful man, and had a good understanding with Partridge and Lockley, his speed again proving a valuable asset.

Woods at the base of the scrum played well and deserved credit for the times he got the ball away, for Hoskins did everything but hug him. He had evidently been told something about Hoskins, for he studied the latter's methods and retaliated in like manner. Then there was Armytage, a grand attacking stand-off half.

SMITH'S GREAT HOOKING.

Smith proved himself to be a hooker of considerable skill, and his regularity in securing the ball was uncanny; he was well supported by his hard-pushing pack. Linton did not play as well as I have seen him do, but he believed that prevention was better than cure, and tackled boldly and low.

Doggett was good in the loose and his kicking was good. I am rather inclined to think he would have taken points from the penalty kick that Linton took near the goal.

Whatever the faults or merits of any of the players, it can safely be said that the game was one of the best ever seen in the Colony, and the rival services in the stands saw that no good piece of work went unrecognised.

Result:—

Army	6 pts.
Navy	6 pts.

Navy:—Telegraphist Martin (Stonecutters); A.B. Laraway (H.M.S. Medway), Lt. D. Lockley (H.M.S. Suffolk), Lt. Partridge, R.M. (H.M.S. Hermes), Midshipman Barnes (H.M.S.) Devonshire); Lt. Armytage (H.M.S. Devonshire), Lt. Comdr. Woods (H.M.S. Devonshire); Lt. Linton (H.M.S. Medway), Lt. Smith (H.M.S. Medway), Lt. Fisher (H.M.S. Wishart), E.R.A. Doggett (H.M.S. Medway), A. B. Deykin (H.M.S. Suffolk), Sub-Lt. Morris (H.M.S. Kent), Lt. Watson (H.M.S. Keppel), and Lt. Comdr. Hubback (H.M.S. Hermes).

Army:—Lt. A. L. Birt (R.A.); Lt. A. G. Martin (S.W.B.), Lt. T. H. S. Gallotly (S.W.B.); Lt. A. C. Hamilton (S.W.B.), Lt. J. O. Crewe-Read (S.W.B.); Pte. Stevens (S.W.B.); Pte. Hoskins (S.W.B.); Lt. Hébert (R.A.), L/Cpl. Tratt (S.W.B.), Cpl. Suter (S.W.B.), L/Cpl. Hardy (S.W.B.), Pte. Lloyd (S.W.B.); Pte. Jones (S.W.B.), Pte. Hardy (S.W.B.), Lt. J. H. Macfarlane (R.A.).

CLUB BEAT KENT BY FIVE CLEAR GOALS

Williams Adds Three To His Tally.

NAVAL HOCKEY SIDE OUTPLAYED.

(By CENTRE HALF.)

Though not showing their best form, the Hong Kong Hockey Club first eleven displayed a marked improvement in their play against the Borderers and defeated H.M.S. Kent by five goals to nil on the R.N.O.S.C. ground at King's Park yesterday afternoon.

The Club commenced with only nine men, being without G. Duncan and J. Rodger, and it was not until late in the first half that the Club were at full strength.

Though playing short-handed the Club scored two goals, the marksman on both occasions being Williams, who showed brilliant form in the first half but fell off a little in the second.

LOWE AS PIVOT.

A. T. Lay played a better game on the left wing, and was responsible for some fine reverse stick centres. Tetley on the right wing, however, was again a bit slow, but what centres he did get in were hard. G. E. R. Divett played his usual hard game at centre-forward. A. A. Dand, skipper of the Club team, was again an absentee, but he hopes to play next Wednesday. H. J. D. Lowe, who has deputised for Rodger for the past three weeks, played centre-half yesterday, being much more at home in that position, and playing a good game.

Lt-Commander Shaw at centre-half for the Kent, while playing a hard game was not up to his Sim Shield brilliance for the Navy last season. He hit very cleanly yesterday and stopped many promising movements initiated by Divett.

In the first half, the Club were the aggressors, except for spasmodic bursts on the part of the Kent forwards, but Rodger and E. V. Reed were a safe pair of backs.

WILLIAMS SCORES TWICE.

Going down on his own, Williams found the net with a neat cross shot, and shortly after he scored the second goal. The Kent forwards could do little against the Club's sterling defence.

Splendid forward movements were witnessed in the early stages of the second half, and, after settling down, Lay found the net. After dribbling down the centre of the field, Divett got past Shaw and Wethey to "culminate" a fine solo effort with a neat shot that beat Chick all the way. The Club continued to press and Williams scored the fifth goal.

Result:

Club	5
Kent	0

Club:—G. Duncan; J. Rodger, E. V. Reed; W. A. Reed, H. J. D. Lowe, J. E. Potter; J. L. Tetley, W. E. Williams, G. E. R. Divett, C. C. Francis, A. T. Lay.

H.M.S. Kent:—E. R. A. Chick; Pay-Commdr. Wethey, Lt-Commdr Taylor; Capt. Wright, R. M. Lt.-Commdr. Shaw, Lt-Commdr. Campbell, Mid Humphreys, Pay-Lt. Knott, E. R. A. Reid, Lt. Clarke, Lt.-Commdr. Andrewes.

MAMAK SHIELD

Signals Defeat The Service Corps.

H.K.S.R.A. WIN.

In a scrappy Mamak match played at Sookunpoo yesterday afternoon, the Royal Corps of Signals defeated the R.A.S.C. by the odd goal in five. At the half time the score was one-all. Lt. Whiteway-Wilkinson (2) and Chaffey netted for the Signals, while Capt. Eve and Tipple replied for the losers.

FINE GOAL RECORD.

On the Marina ground, the 1st H.K.S. Battery maintained their lead in the Tournament when they gained a 6-0 victory over the 20th Battery, R.A. The Battery, who were playing without Lt. Macfarlan, the Army centre-forward, have now 43 goals to their credit with 8 against.

MAMAK TOURNAMENT.

Table To Date.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals F.	Goals A.	Pts.
1st Bty. H.K.S.	9	8	0	1	48	8	17
Radio	7	6	0	1	32	5	13
St. Andrew's	7	6	1	0	32	7	12
Incognitos	5	5	0	0	21	2	10
R.A.S.C.	11	4	5	2	12	18	10

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TO-DAY

Rugby—Club "A" v. Small Ships (Valley 5 p.m.); Army v. Navy (Sookunpoo 4.30 p.m.).
Racing— Entries close for Fanling Hunt Steeplechase at noon.

TO-MORROW

Billiards—Steele Coulson League.
C. & P. O. Club v. St. Patricks.
Police v. Palace Hotel
R. E. Sergeants v. S. W. B. Sergeants
Garrison Sergeants v. Artillery
Hockey—Friendly
Club "A" v. Recreio
(King's Park 5.15)

SATURDAY

Cricket—League I.
Navy v. Hong Kong C. C. (King's Park 2 p.m.)
Craigengower v. Civil Service (Valley 2 p.m.)
League II.
Civil Service v. Craigengower (Valley 2 p.m.)
Hong Kong C. C. v Navy (H.K.C.C. 2 p.m.)
Friendly Matches
Indian R. C. v Kowloon C. C. (Sookunpoo 2 p.m.)
Kowloon 2nd XI v. I.R.C. 2nd XI. (K.C.C. 2 p.m.)
Police R. C. v. D. B. S. (Valley 2 p.m.)
Football—Interport XI v Chinese (Caroline Hill 4.15)
Hockey—Mamak Shield
Parthian v 1st H.K.S.R.A. (Marina 4 p.m.)
Radio v. 12th. Batty. (U.S.R.C. 4.15)
Racing—Fourteenth Extra Race Meeting (Valley 1.30 p.m.)
Rugby—Club v. Navy (Valley 4 p.m.)
Yachting— R.H.K.Y.C. Third Championship Race.
Lawn Tennis—Mixed Doubles Final (C.R.C. 3.15 p.m.)
M. W. Lo and Miss Enid Lo v. Capt Barry and Mrs. Lockner.
Chinese Recreation Club "At Home".

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals F.	Goals A.	Pts.
Medway	5	3	0	2	15	2	8
R.E.	9	4	5	0	9	21	8
Police	4	3	0	1	10	5	7
R.C. Signals	6	4	2	0	21	11	6
University	5	3	2	0	11	10	6
Wishart	5	3	2	0	10	15	6
12th R.A.	4	2	1	1	7	4	5
Phoenix	6	2	3	1	12	15	5
Veteran	5	2	3	0	4	7	4
R.A.M.C.	8	1	5	2	4	14	4
24th R.A.	6	1	3	1	6	13	3
Tamar	7	1	5	1	9	19	3
Parthian	3	1	2	0	5	9	2
20th R.A.	5	0	4	1	1	12	1
R.A.O.C.	5	0	4	1	0	11	1
K.I.T.C.	6	0	5	1	3	28	1
8th Destroyers	1	0	1	0	1	2	0
German Club	6	0	6	0	1	30	0

CLUB "A" TO-MORROW.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Hockey Club "A" against the Club de Recreio at King's Park to-morrow at 5 p.m.:—Moses; Duncan, Henry; Rees, Dale, Komor; Fox, Wade, McIntyre, Davies, and Price.

CLUB SECRETARY TO LEAVE FOR THE NORTH.

Best Wishes Proferred to Mr. G. E. R. Divett.

Mr. G. E. R. Divett, Vice-Captain and formerly Secretary of the Hong Kong Hockey Club, is leaving for Tientsin on Sunday to be married, and is returning at the end of December.

At the conclusion of yesterday's match between the Club and H.M.S. Kent, members of the Club team adjourned to the Kowloon Cricket Club where Mr. A. A. Dand, the Club captain, expressed best wishes to Mr. Divett, who suitably replied.

Those present were Messrs. J. Rodger, A. T. Lay, J. E. Potter, J. L. Tetley, W. A. Reed, C. C. Francis and E. V. Reed.

F.A. CUP

First Round Proper Draw.

READING v BRENTFORD.

London, Yesterday.

The draw for the first round proper of the Football Association Cup was announced. Following are the games, which will be played on November 26:

Workington v. Scunthorpe.
Accrington v. Hereford.
Darlington v. Boston.
Halifax v. Darwen.
Southport v. Nelson.
Carlisle v. Denaby.
Chester v. Rotherham.
Crewe v. Crooktown.
York v. Scarborough.
Marine (Liverpool) v. Hartlepools.
Doncaster v. Gresley Rovers or Gainsboro.
Rochdale v. Stockport.
Wrexham v. Spennymoor.
Barrow v. Gateshead.
Tranmere v. New Brighton.
St. Alybridge or Altrincham v. Hull.
Walsall v. Mansfield.
Dartford v. Yeoville and Petters.
Cardiff v. Bristol Rovers.
Northampton v. Lloyds (Sittingbourne).
Bristol City v. Romford.
Newport v. Ilford.
Street or Merthyrtown v. Queen's Park Rangers.
Margate v. Rudesports.
Torquay v. Bournemouth.
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Palace v. Brighton.
Gillingham v. Wycombe Wanderers.
Reading v. Brentford.
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SPORT PAGE

H.K. Selection Committee Criticised

Reputation And Experience Count For Too Much

TEAM - WORK ENDANGERED

(By Outside Left.)

THE Interport Soccer Selection Committee is meeting with considerable criticism by local football supporters. Following the example of previous Committees they have again floundered and failed to convince followers of the game. That the selection of three players before the first Trial was a mistake they must now realise, though Rodger was a certainty for his place, and now there is only one opportunity for the team to play together before they leave for the northern port.

First of all, have the Selection Committee made the right selection, and are they all thoroughly satisfied with the result? I think not.

After watching the final trial on Friday last, one comes to an immediate conclusion, that the Committee have blundered badly in making two selections before the final trial.

I am referring in particular to the selection of Howe in the centre forward position. It is quite evident that in all the trials he has failed badly. He is not the man for the centre forward position and should have been dropped in favour of Johnson, who has the speed and dash about his play which is necessary for a man in that position.

JOHNSON THE MAN.

Johnson made an excellent impression on both his trials. On Friday last he scored an excellent goal, going through a defence fortified by the presence of Mullane and Strange and it takes a good man to get past this pair—and the best man won.

Howe may have received orders from the Committee to hold himself in and take no chances, as is rumoured, but in that case why throw a forward line out of gear on account of one man—and he the leader of that line? Howe, at his best, is far superior to Johnson, but can we depend on him being at his best in Shanghai where conditions are vastly different? He is the modern type of centre-forward, waiting for the opportunity and not looking for them. Johnson, on own opportunities and when a pass the other hand, is out to find his comes through which would have found Howe. Johnson is out of position to grasp the opportunity.

Johnson, however, is definitely the man for the position. Then again the question of reputation arises.

Strange has played a hard game throughout the trial series but has he justified his inclusion in the team? His showing on Friday last was not of the Interport soccer standard, and in the game previous to that, he showed that he could be erratic when hard pressed.

Allan of the Royal Artillery gave a brilliant display at right back on Friday last and should have at least got in as a reserve, but no! the committee did not think he was good enough, besides there already was one 'Regular' in the defence.

The most important question with regard to the Interport, is that of practices, of which there has been none so far, but the one and only practice game approaching.

The methods of the Committee, I regret to say are not for the best. An Interport team which is usually comprised of men taken from the various teams competing in the Leagues, should have at least three practice games as a team before they leave the Colony.

EARLY SELECTION.

It is particularly essential this time because of the last-minute changes in the forward line, also by the inclusion of Pardoe at centre half.

I think that a better idea would have been for the Committee to have chosen a probable side straight off the 'bat', and played it against a 'Rest of the Colony side,' this would have given them food for thought immediately, but no they must go about the selection in a round about way and waste unnecessary time with the ultimate result that the team has only one chance of a practice.

Judging from reports which have just arrived from Shanghai, it is surprising to note that the Northern Selection Committee have adopted the same tactics as our local Committee, in consequence of which Shanghai football enthusiasts are getting furious.

It appears that the team chosen for the second trial game at the Canidrome are such that good combination and the spirit of the competition will be lost.

Shanghai has already staged one trial game, which proved an utter farce, as neither the Selection Committee or the public attending the game were able to make any headway as to a possible Probable side.

GASH CAPTAIN.

Gash, the Police veteran will again lead Shanghai in the actual Interport and will be a thorn in the attack of the local team.

Shanghai's position to-day is well illustrated in an article appearing in the *China Press* of November 11:

The second interport trial game to be played at the Canidrome on Sunday is going to be another mix-up affair, the announcement of the two teams made by the Shanghai Football Association reveals. Instead of making definite selections for the interport team, the committee wants to stage another of the wild and woolly affairs in which combination as well as spirit of competition will be found lacking.

Just what the selection committee has in mind when it decided to hold another such trial is hard to tell. Do they want to see how the different players are shaping up? If this is the case, then the members of the committee have evidently been misnamed. It is only logical, it appears to us, that only those who are close followers of local soccer and keen students of the game should be entrusted with the task of making selections for the all-important interport classic, and these people should be able to name the personnel of a team right off the bat even without the necessity of staging trial games. The matches played under the auspices of the Shanghai Football Association during the last six weeks should give them enough background on which to base their selections.

Through the present method, the committee may be able to select the best possible players in Shanghai, but without sufficient practices together as a team, an all-star squad can hardly perform as successfully as an eleven of less brilliant individual players but with better combination work.

H. M. McTAVISH SEVERING CONNECTION WITH FOOTBALL CLUB.

W. Pryde Probable Successor to Secretarial Post.

It will come as bad news to Club supporters to hear that Mr. H. M. McTavish, Secretary of the Hong Kong Football Club, is leaving for England by the Comorin in about three weeks' time.

For the last eighteen years Mr. McTavish has been one of the keenest promoters of the soccer code in the Colony, starting as an ordinary player, and later rising to the captaincy of the Club. When his playing days were over he turned his hand to secretarial work and his unbounded energies have been responsible for the Club's position at the present moment.

It is understood from a reliable source that Mr. Walter Pryde will again be persuaded to take over the secretarial position.

LEAGUE POSTPONEMENTS

November 26 Games Held Up By The Interport.

Owing to the Interport football team being in Shanghai on Saturday, November 26, all matches fixed for that day will be postponed with the exception of the fixture between the Navy and the Club de Recreio on the latter's ground. This game will not be affected as neither side will have any players absent with the interporters.

Other alterations are notified by the Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Football Association. On Saturday next, November 19, the Second Division match between South China and the Lincolnshire Regiment will be played at Chatham Road at 4.15 p.m. and not at Caroline Hill as originally fixed.

On Saturday, November 26, the Royal Artillery and St. Joseph's College in the Second Division will play at Happy Valley at 2.45 p.m. while the Chinese Athletic and Kowloon will play on the Club ground (home ground of Chinese Athletic) at 4.15 p.m.

Soccer Personalities

Cheng Shiu-hong

(South China)

Cheng made his debut in local soccer in 1926 when he came before the notice of the South China A.A. officials as a right wing, and he retained his place for that season.

In 1927 he had made such rapid strides that he was selected to represent China at the Far Eastern Olympiad in Shanghai. In that series of games he first made a name for himself, and since then has gone from success to success.

Cheng was a member of the South China touring team which visited Java and Singapore in 1931 and again proved his immense value to the side, showing brilliant combination with Chu Kwok-luen. This year he again toured Java with marked success, and has culminated a long period of football this year by walking into the Interport side. Shanghai will find him both remarkably fast and tricky when in possession, and it will come as no surprise if he paves the way for Wong Mei-shun or Howe to give Hong Kong a victory.

CHINESE TEAM TO MEET THE INTERPORTERS.

Nineteen Players To Receive Consideration.

At a meeting of the Chinese Amateur Federation which was held last night, it was decided to select the Chinese team to meet the Interport XI. on Saturday at Caroline Hill from the following:—Lam Yuk-ying, Ho Chai-yin, Lai Kwok-chiu, Wong Sui-wah, Ho Ka-kuen, Mak So, Chan Kwong-yiu, Tang Kwong-sun, Lam Tin-chan, Lee Tin-sang, Ip Pak-wah, Fung King-cheung, Tam Kong-pak, Tong Kwan, Leung Iu-chan, Leung Dak-wing, Lee Kwok-wai, Kam Pak-shiu, and Lee Shek-yau.

A LONG RUGGER CAREER.

John Roberts Capped 13 Times For Wales.

MAY ASSIST CLUB ON SATURDAY.

Interviewed by the *China Mail* after the rugger match at the Valley yesterday John Roberts, the Welsh International, said, that he was uncertain whether he would be able to play for the Club against the Navy on Saturday.

Roberts was very modest concerning his big Home reputation saying that from the newspaper reports it appeared as if he would still be in line for a place in the Welsh national team this year, whereas he was now approaching the veteran stage. Those who saw him play yesterday can be left to form their own opinions on this statement.

The visitor said that he was lucky to get into the Cambridge University fifteen in 1927, as he only secured his Blue on account of an injury to James Whitham, who is now in the Colony, and who has played for Hong Kong against Shanghai at full back. Roberts on that occasion, however, showed such brilliant form at full back that he was certain of his place in the 1928 and 1929 sides. He has also been capped 13 times for Wales.

Roberts, who is a missionary in Amoy, has come down to Hong Kong to meet his wife, and hopes to spend at least ten days in the Colony. While in Hong Kong he is staying at the Bishop's house.

The Club are holding a practice this afternoon in preparation for Saturday, and it is hoped that Roberts will be able to attend and give a few words of advice.

Roberts is also a useful golfer with a 6 handicap at Home, and has been seen over the Fanling course.

DAZZLING RUGBY BY J. ROBERTS

WELSH INTERNATIONAL IN PERFECT CONDITION

VISITOR GIVES CLUB WIN

(By SCRUM HALF.)

JOHN ROBERTS, the Welsh International three-quarter, won the Club their match against H.M.S. Tamar and Small Ships yesterday at the Valley. He was the instigator of four of the five movements which led to the Club winning by three goals and two tries (21 pts.) to nil.

He scored the first two tries of the match as the result of dazzling cut throughs which left his opponents standing, and gave Ferguson two tries and making an opening for a further score. The Kowloon player's hesitancy robbed him of the last opportunity.

A fairly large crowd for a mid-week game turned up to see Roberts in action, and they were not disappointed. The visitor gave one of the finest exhibitions of three-quarter play the Colony has seen for a very long time. He had "international" stamped all over him, and his fitness was amazing.

The game had only been in progress five minutes before Roberts took a pass from Rigg to cut through the opposition with an amazing burst of speed to beat Dare and touch down between the posts. It was a magnificent try and a very fine introduction to an outstanding player. Rigg easily converted.

Only several minutes had elapsed before Roberts went between Wells and Wilkins, who could almost have touched hands so close were they standing together, and easily beat Dare with a fine swerve to cross the line a second time for the Club. It was another display of splendid opportunism and was loudly applauded by the spectators. King failed with the kick at goal.

FERGUSON FALTERS

Shortly before his second try Roberts had cleverly drawn both his own man and the winger to give Ferguson a perfect pass with only the full-back to beat for the line. Ferguson ran strongly, but when confronted by Dare seemed to lose control of the ball and it slipped out of his hand. Roberts was up with him and a reverse pass would have meant a certain score.

Soon afterwards Roberts was seen in defence when from a naval forward rush Thatcher looked as if he would go over, but Roberts brought his man low. The visitor saved his line yet again when he passed to King in his own '25 for that player to take a difficult pass in great style and relieve with a useful dribble.

An orthodox three-quarter movement saw Roberts give Ferguson a gift try which he could have had himself had he so desired. The winger took his pass and scored after being nearly grassed by Dare due to his own hesitancy. King added the goal points.

THE SHORT PUNT.

Changing over with a lead of 13 points the Club went further ahead when Roberts gave a beautifully judged short punt ahead to catch the ball and leave Ferguson unmarked for a try in the corner. It was a touch of first-class rugger that was greatly appreciated. King failed to add the goal points.

Not content with their lead the Club went further ahead when Torrible sent out a high pass to Rigg for that player to transfer to Ferguson, who scored near the posts, King converted.

In the closing stages Roberts sold the dummy beautifully, but his inside pass was nullified by the forwards being too crowded to take advantage of a tactic which left one half of the field unguarded.

The Tamar could not be blamed for their defeat, they played gallantly in the face of a player with exceptional individual abilities, and who inspired the other fourteen players to play above their form. Though lacking the dash of the Club players I would say the Tamar would have forced a draw at the very least had Roberts not been opposed to them. Outstanding players in the Navy side were Corbett at wing forward and Dare at full back while Hanford played a sterling game as hooker.

GRIEVE'S HANDLING.

Prominent players in the Club side were Roger Grieve at full-back, Ferguson on the wing and King and Munro in the forwards, while Torrible performed creditably at the base of the scrum. I liked the way Grieve took the ball on the run and the way in which he attempted to open up the game. His handling was excellent, though his touch-kicking showed room for improvement. Ferguson, after his lapse in the opening minutes, showed very determined running, and the way he picked up awkward passes for two of his tries was most laudable. Torrible was ever worrying Perrin when the latter got the ball from his forwards, and was very quick to loose the ball to Jenkins when opportunity afforded. His relieving kicks were also a decided asset to the Club.

KING'S PROPER PLACE

King, playing in his old position at wing forward, was more at home during yesterday's game, and gave a good display of bustling forward play. He possesses a very fair burst of speed which makes him a dangerous man anywhere near the line. Munro was conspicuous in the line outs where his height gave him a great advantage, and his play in the loose was a marked improvement on his former displays.

Jenkins was off form and the second half change from fly half to centre-three-quarter in favour of Roberts was well warranted. Rigg also had a poor match, his passing being very poor at times. He, however, sustained a knee injury in the first half, and this may have in no small way affected his play.

Result:

Club ..... 21 pts.

Tamar ..... nil

Club: R. A. J. Grieve; J. J. Ferguson, J. Roberts, W. H. B. Rigg, S. J. H. Fox; A. F. Jenkins, A. W. Torrible; H. P. Larocha, F. R. Burch, J. E. H. Cogan, D. Paul, R. I. Stilliard, R. O. F. King, A. K. Munro and A. H. Harbord.

Tamar: Dare; Wells, Wilkins, Jackson, Leatherby; Butter, Perrin; Ainsworth, Hanford, Gould Eastlake, Thatcher, Walsh, Payne and Corbett.

A Blackheath player caught with a flying tackle in the match against Birkenhead which the Club won by 30 pts. to 3 at Rectory Field, Blackheath.

No Premier League Game On Saturday

INTERPORT XI TEST AT CAROLINE HILL.

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REVISED TABLES.

NEXT Saturday's final practice game for the Interport side should be worth while watching in view of the fact of the formidable opposition the Chinese are able to put up.

In my opinion the following team would be one which should give the Interporters a considerable amount of anxiety:—Lam Tin-chan in goal; his brilliant showing last Friday equalled that of Rodger's. Lau Mau, the Interport team reserve, a steady back with an excellent first-time clearance. Mak Shui-hon (Athletic). Tong Kwan, who is easily the best Chinese half in the Colony, and whose exhibition last Friday should have gained him a place in the selected team. Lam Yuk-ying, another Athletic player who is one of the finest pivots in the Colony, and who, incidentally, was not given a trial. Wong Shu-wa should fill the left half position at which he excels.

The Chinese forward line would indeed be a formidable one with the following, Tan Kwong-shun of the Athletic, a good winger with considerable speed. The centre-forward position should be filled by Fung King-cheong, who led the goal average in the 1930-31 season, and who is undoubtedly the finest man in that position seen in the Colony for some time. It is a pity that he is prevented from occupying the Interport position owing to a Canton residence qualification, which rules him out. Tam Kong-pak should fill the inside-left position, his six goals against the Recreio last Saturday will be remembered for a long while. Finally the outside left position will be filled by Ip Pak-wa who gave an excellent showing against the Probables in last Friday's game and who has been largely responsible for many a South China victory in the past. He is a winger with a terrific burst of speed and centres with deadly accuracy.

This team should give the Interporters all the practice they need.

The following are Saturday's League fixtures:

SECOND DIVISION.

TSUNG TSIN v. Eastern (Navy 2.45)
ARTILLERY v. Navy (Sookunpoo 2.45)
ST. JOSEPH'S v. Club (St. Joseph's 2.45)
Kowloon v. BORDERERS (Kowloon 2.45)
South China v. LINCOLNS (Caroline Hill 4.15)
ATHLETIC v. Ewo (Athletic 2.45)

THIRD DIVISION.

South China v. ST. JOSEPH'S (Caroline Hill 2.45)
University v. LINCOLNS (Athletic 4.15)
R.A.F. v. Athletic (Recreio 2.45)
Taikoo v. RECREIO (Recreio 4.15)
Radio v. Engineers (Chatham Road 2.45)
Signals v. R.A.S.C. (Sookunpoo 4.15)

LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals F.	Goals A.	Pts.
Borderers	7	5	1	1	30	6	11
Artillery	7	5	0	2	17	12	10
South China	5	4	0	1	17	3	8
St. Joseph's	6	3	1	2	8	7	7
Club	6	3	0	3	10	12	6
Lincolns	5	3	0	2	14	7	6
Athletic	5	2	2	1	20	10	6
Navy	5	2	0	3	5	10	4
Kowloon	6	2	0	4	18	17	4
Police	5	1	0	4	8	16	2
Recreio	7	0	0	7	5	47	0

SECOND DIVISION

Athletic	7	6	1	0	27	5	13
Borderers	6	6	0	0	29	4	12
Navy	6	4	0	2	22	13	8
Lincolns	6	3	2	1	18	13	8
Artillery	6	3	1	2	16	13	7
South China	7	3	1	3	18	14	7
Ewo	6	3	0	3	25	12	6
Kowloon	5	2	1	2	14	18	5
Tsung Tsin	7	2	1	4	10	19	5
Club	7	1	1	5	12	36	3
Eastern	5	0	0	5	2	33	0
St. Josephs	6	0	0	6	5	28	0

THIRD DIVISION.

St. Josephs	7	7	0	0	38	7	14
Borderers	7	5	1	1	29	12	11
R.A.S.C.	6	5	0	1	25	6	10
Lincolns	6	5	0	1	24	6	10
Athletic	6	5	0	1	16	9	10
South China	7	4	0	3	19	13	8
Radio	6	2	0	4	9	17	4
Signals	7	2	0	5	10	20	4
R.A.F.	5	1	1	3	11	18	3
University	7	1	1	5	12	30	3
R.E.	5	1	0	4	6	17	2
Recreio	6	1	0	5	7	25	2
Taikoo	7	0	1	6	8	39	1

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THE VANISHING TRICK

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box—and he'd gone all right. The audience clapped, but the red-faced woman didn't clap. She'd shut her mouth very tight, and I thought the little man was going to catch it when he got home.

Still, that wasn't my affair. He'd asked for it. I did a little business—taking the sides out of the box, tapping them, and so on, to give him time. Then I went to open the cabinet. It was empty. The audience began to laugh—I had to think of something quickly. Fortunately I've learnt how to keep my head—you've got to in conjuring. I shut the cabinet, went to the front of the stage and began to talk about dematerialising—said my assistant had to dematerialise himself in the box and rematerialise in the cabinet, and that needed time. In a minute or two he'd be there all right, I said—not believing it, because I thought he'd lost his nerve. Still, I had to say something. Then I got on quickly to another trick—just an easy one with coloured handkerchiefs—and while I worked I thought out what I should say if the cabinet was empty again.

Well. I had to open it again as soon as I'd finished with the handkerchiefs, and, of course, it was still empty. So I signed for someone in the wings to fetch it off and went back to try and put over a yarn about vanishing people too thoroughly. I was just getting the audience to listen when out of the corner of my eye I saw the red-faced woman stand up. I knew she was going to shout at me, and she did—in a hoarse kind of voice, very unpleasant. Wanted to know what I'd done with her husband. Where'd he gone?

I said I wished I knew. Of course the audience laughed, and when the woman came up and shook her umbrella at me over the footlights they laughed all the more. Someone called out: "He's gone off with Elsie—Oh, Ma!"—but the woman wasn't worrying. She was set on me. While we were arguing and the audience was laughing, the manager came on—told me to get off quick—send on the others for a chorus. I didn't wait. I roused up the others, and I was just going to look for my little man when I met the manager coming round to the back with the woman. She glared at me. The manager said, very sharply: "Where'd he be? Underneath somewhere?"

Well, we looked in every corner—under the stage, in the dressing-rooms—the woman snorting, probing with her umbrella, getting redder and redder. Fortunately the show had got started again all right and it was nearly over anyway.

We went out on to the pier—it was a dark, windy night—and looked all round, but there was absolutely no sign of my little man. He really had vanished—clean gone. At last the woman turned on us like a fury—said she was going straight to the police, we'd all be arrested—I don't know what else. Seemed to think we'd done it on purpose. I was glad to see her go marching off down the pier, I can tell you, and just then the lights went on round the pavilion and the audience began to come out.

Next day we had the police, of course—a sergeant, but he didn't stay long, just looked at the trap and asked a few questions. We weren't to blame, really, and he seemed to know something about the woman. We had a couple of reporters, too—wonderful publicity it all was, in the end. The place was packed that afternoon and again at night. The manager wanted us to stay another week, but he couldn't get the bookings altered in time. We had to move on, up the coast to Hunstanton. Even there it did us good. The papers were still running the story; they published the little man's photograph—my photograph. But they didn't find the little man—never a word or a trace of him anywhere. Some people thought he'd jumped into the sea—temporarily insane, you know—only then his body would have been washed up sooner or later, and it never was.

And now, as I sat at lunch, I felt sure I'd found him at last. He was the waiter. He'd cut off his moustache, but I knew I wasn't wrong particularly after I'd caught him looking at me, in a funny, frightened sort of way, once or twice.

I waited till I'd almost finished and the other people had gone. Then I beckoned to him and said. "Been doing any more vanishing tricks lately?"

He didn't try to deny it. He glanced quickly over his shoulder, then bent down, resting one hand on the table and said anxiously, "You aren't going to give me away, are you?"

"No," I said, "why should I? What are you doing here?"

"I'm all right here," he said, "if I can stay. I only want to be left alone."

"What happened to you that night?" I asked. "You framed it, I suppose, didn't you, to get away?"

He nodded. "Yes, I got away. I'm grateful. It was just what I wanted."

"But why all that trouble?" I said. "Why did you have to vanish out of a box?"

He looked round again, to see if the room was empty, I suppose. Then he drew a chair up to my table.

"I couldn't stay with my wife any more," he said. "D'you understand that? Your trick gave me an idea."

"I still don't see it," I said. "Why not just walk out of the house."

"Ah," he said, gazing at me very seriously, "you're not married, perhaps?"

I admitted that I was not.

"Then you won't know," he said. "My wife wasn't one to give a man much freedom. We had a little business—fancy goods and confectionery. I had to mind the shop and in the evenings I never went out except with her. She had a firm hand—fair got me under. After a time you can't break loose. I don't know why, but you can't. Then I couldn't just walk off in daylight. They all knew me in the town. She'd been after me too quick. That meant after dark, only I was never out alone in the evening. I thought your trick'd be just right—give me a start. See what I mean?"

He looked up at me, a puzzled kind of look. Didn't seem quite to know what he meant himself, but wanted me to understand it.

"You see, it was that *vanishing*," he said. "That's what I liked—just what I'd wanted, time and again. Never saw how I could do it. Then, when I saw your trick, I thought—if I could do that I'd be all right, out of it, quickly. I'd be away by myself and no question asked. No questions, that was it."

"Well," I said, to humour him, "what did you do? Slip out of the theatre and run away? You got me into a nice mess, you know."

He nodded, but he didn't seem to hear my last words. I don't suppose he'd ever thought of that side of it. He'd just had his one idea—nothing else.

"Yes," he said, "I knew there'd be no one about on the pier while the show was on. Just a turnstile to get out—they used to lock up the rest. I walked — walked to Yarmouth, all night.

"Came to London. No one had seen me. Got a waiter's job. I'd been a waiter before I was married. Everything was all right—ought to have stayed there."

"Why didn't you?" I said. "How long have you been down here?"

"Month," he said. "It's quiet, you see. I like a quiet place. Only I'm afraid——" He dropped his voice and leant forward over the table. "I'm afraid they're going to get on to me. I saw someone I knew the other day. I'm afraid I did."

Well, I suppose I'd have gone on listening to him, but just then I caught sight of the clock. In half an hour I was due to start my show. I pushed back my chair.

"Here, let's have the bill," I said. "I'm late, talking to you."

He got up, but he didn't give me the bill at once. He stood fumbling with his napkin.

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HARBOUR OFFICE.

Low Freight Figures In Yesterday's Reports.

The Harbour Office reports for the 24 hours ended 9 a.m. yesterday gave a free movement of vessels with a fair tonnage. Freights were low, both the inward and throughs failing to reach five figures. The total tonnage entered was 25,421.

There were five inward registries, of which two were British and one of four figures, while of the seven throughs, two were British and three of four figures. Two vessels arrived in ballast.

Passengers entered during the period included 28 Europeans and 1,567 Asiatic deck, British vessels carrying 106 out of the total in all classes.

Details follow:—

Nationality	Arr.	H'Kong Cargo Tons	Dep.	Through Cargo Tons
British	2	722	6	3,235
Dutch	2	3,467	2	5,230
Norwegian	1	—	—	169
French	1	525	2	471
Japanese	1	—	3	—
Chinese	3	28	3	50
American	—	—	1	—
German	—	—	1	—
Total	10	4,742	18	9,155

STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS.

The m.v. Silversandal from New York sailed from Shanghai on November 14 afternoon, and is expected here to-morrow at daylight.

The B.I. s.s. Sirdhana left Singapore for this port on November 10, and due here to-day.

The P. & O. s.s. Corfu left Shanghai for this port on November 15 at 3.30 p.m., and is due here on the 18th inst., at about 6 a.m.

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada (from Manila) due here to-day, and was berthed at the Kowloon Wharf.

Overland China Mail.

A WHOLE WEEK'S NEWSPAPERS IN ONE.

Sweeping condemnation of the European girls of the Colony was made by Mr. H. E. Lanepart, leader of the local nudist movement in an interview here. "They are mere puppets, with little life of their own," he stated. The interview appears in the *OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.*

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Outside Left's comments on the probables selected for the Interport Soccer fixture against Shanghai, the dropping of B. Gosano, Howe's poor display at centre forward, Chinese majority in Interport forward line — all these comments are published in full in the *OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.*

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A Memorial Service, at which the O.A.G., the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn attended, as well as representatives of the Consular Body, the Girl Guides and the Boy Scouts, was held in St. John's Cathedral at 9.30 a.m. on Armistice morning, the Dean of Hong Kong, Very Rev. A. Swann conducted the service and preached the sermon. A full report of the Cenotaph and Cathedral Services appears in the *OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.*

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Favoured by brilliant sunshine and a freshening wind, the opening cruise of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club and first rowing regatta of the season was held last Saturday. Practically the entire fleet of the Yacht Club, numbering nearly 60, were out in full sail, presenting a wonderful spectacle. A large crowd was present, including His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G.) and Mrs. Southorn, Mr. A. L. Shields, the newly-elected Commodore of the Club, Mr. H. S. Rouse, Vice-Commodore, and many others. The function is reported in the *OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.*

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Mr. D. Black sprung the biggest surprise of the day at the Macao Races on Sunday, when he won the Novices' Event, the Yangtze Handicap, on Pure Music to pay a dividend of $123.60, the best of the day. Most of the favourites had an off day, the most notable failure being that of Workable Stag, who was considered one of the day's certainties and who was hovelessly beaten by Ajax, ridden by Mr. G. U. Da Roza. A full report appears in the *OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.*

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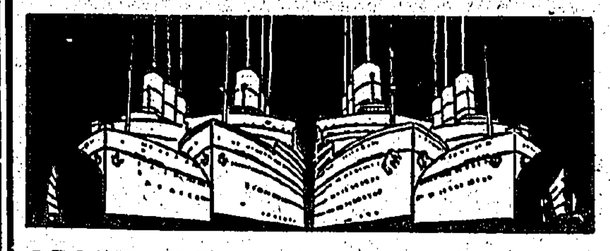

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		1933.	
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THE VANISHING TRICK.

(Continued from Page 10.)

"I'd be better in London," he said "I'm not going back, anyway—not for anything—not even if they find me."

"I don't want you to go back," I said. "What's it to me? I shan't go about saying I've seen you. Let's have the bill—that's what I want."

He glanced at me—he still didn't move.

"You won't?" he said. "No— I was scared when I saw you, but I don't much mind. Anyway, I——"

I interrupted him, made him fetch the bill— sent him running for it. I hadn't got time to waste. But in a way I was sorry when I'd gone and left him looking after me from the door. I didn't want to scare him. Perhaps if I hadn't been in such a hurry I might have—but that can't be helped now.

Well, I did my show and a second show again a bit later and caught a train at seven. In the train I thought of my little man. My belief was that he'd be back at Birling soon. To stay hidden for ever—no one can do it, not in this country. Anyway, he wasn't the type. But I felt sorry for him. I remembered that woman.

In London, during the next week, I hadn't much to do—one evening job and one kids' party—it was near Christmas. For Boxing week I was booked—a music-hall down near Putney. I knew the place—always going to turn into a cinema, but never did, though they showed pictures on Sunday. It was twice nightly for me, but you have to take what you can get nowadays.

It was on the Wednesday in that week that it happened—the first house. My act started at 6.50. I had a girl working with me, one I'd often had before—it's worth it, for a week. For the box trick she wore a special rig—used to go and put it on while I showed the box to the audience. On this Wednesday night she'd gone as usual, and when I'd finished showing the box I looked round to see if she was ready. She wasn't there—but in the wings I saw my little man, in his waiter's clothes. He was looking straight at me with a queer kind of intent expression—standing quite still.

I was scared. I couldn't think how he'd got there or what he was doing, particularly in those clothes. I wondered, too, all in the same moment, what had happened to my girl. I felt something had happened to my girl. I felt something had gone wrong, and was going to go more wrong if I didn't stop it.

But before I could do anything my little man was walking on to the stage, still staring at me with the same expression. He walked a bit stiffly, somehow—mechanically, almost. I suppose I might have turned him round and pushed him off. But almost anything's better than a scene on the stage, and somehow I couldn't push him off—I don't know why. The way he was walking on made me feel queer. I thought he'd determined to vanish again through my box, and that it wouldn't be easy to stop him. I just felt I'd better be quick. I wanted to get him in and get him vanished before anything happened.

I introduced him to the audience—said what I was going to do and so on, the usual thing. While I was speaking, I felt the audience go quiet—a sort of hush—all of a sudden. I glanced over my shoulder—my little man was still there, but he wasn't looking at me now—he was looking at the box. Then he began to get in of his own accord. I hadn't time to wonder about the audience. I had to attend to the box. I wanted to be sure he got in the right way. He did, but he seemed to fall in, and for a moment I almost thought he really had fallen. It was queer, but I had to get the box shut. A kind of murmur had started in the audience, and I fumbled, trying to be quick. As soon as I stood up and turned round, the murmur stopped—dead silence.

I got off a bit of patter, then turned back to the box, and as I turned, I saw out of the corner of my eye my girl assistant standing in the wings—staring at me, pale, I thought. I just motioned to her to stay there. Then I threw the box open—and next moment I was trying to get it shut, as quick as I could. My little man was still there, but he was all crumpled and crushed, his head smashed in—blood dripping out of the box.

After that I don't know quite what happened, except, that I was trying to get the box shut because I didn't want the audience to see. I got it shut—then I remember the curtain coming down. The manager of the hall was on the stage and two of the hands were picking up the box to carry it off. I started to say something—"Look out—put it down——" but they paid no attention, and I found myself in the wings, with the next turn starting and the manager telling me I was drunk. Of course, that was silly—you can't do conjuring on drink—but I didn't stop to listen. I wanted the box opened and that thing in it taken away. I went over to the box and opened the top quickly—not the sides. You can believe me or not, but it was empty—clean empty. Not even a spot of blood.

After that I remember sitting down and the manager shaking me by the shoulder. He told me to get out—I was fired. He said it several times, but I didn't care. I just sat there, and after a bit I saw there was quite a crowd staring at me. I looked at the box—it was still empty. How could you explain that? I knew it was no use trying.

I got up and went to my dressing-room and the manager followed me. I only wanted to get out of the theatre, but the manager—he was Jewish—kept saying: "Why you act like that? What you think you do—play the fool by yourself, eh? Spoil my show, eh? What's the big idea?"

(Continued at foot of next Column.)

Then I saw what he meant and I asked him if he hadn't seen anyone with me on the stage. He stared and began to look a bit frightened, I thought. He said he'd seen no one—absolutely no one—so I knew I'd seen a ghost. I didn't tell him—just went on dressing, and after a moment I heard the door shut. I think he'd decided I was mad and didn't like staying with me.

When I was dressed I went out. The manager was there and several others—stage hands and folk from other acts—but no one spoke. They just stared at me. Then I saw my assistant. She looked white. I asked her where she'd been. She said she'd just been coming on— just leaving her dressing-room— when she'd torn half her skirt off on a nail. She showed me the tear. It was a funny accident, but I didn't ask any more. I just told the manager I'd send for my stuff in the morning and went out. It was a fine night—early still. I found a pub and had a couple of brandies. Then I walked about the streets a bit and began to feel better. Only I didn't go home. I had a room in Kennington and I knew I should sit there thinking. I wanted company. So I went to an hotel and had another drink and took a room there and went to bed with the light on.

I suppose I slept because I found it was morning and the light still burning. Then I remembered—and I wondered if I really had been mad or dreaming the night before. In daylight you can't believe these things so easily. I was still wondering while I got dressed and had breakfast. Then I bought a paper, and on the inside page a paragraph jumped at me:

Hotel Tragedy
Waiter Falls Down Lift Shaft.

Albert Creasey, waiter at the Magnolia Hotel, Russell-square, was killed last night through falling down the lift shaft from the top floor, where he had his own room. The tragedy occurred just before seven o'clock, shortly after Creasey had been visited in his room by a plain clothes officer. Creasey, who had been at the hotel only since Sunday, apparently stayed in his room for a few minutes after the officer had left and then opened the lift gate on the top landing and stepped into the shaft.

It is understood that the visit of the police officer had no connection with any criminal proceedings. Inquiries were being made for Creasey on behalf of his wife, with whom he had not lived for several months.

The name was right, and the time was right. I knew I'd seen my little man just as he was walking to the lift and after he'd fallen.

Anyway I've sold my box. I can't face that trick again.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17.

Shanghai and Amoy .....Szechuen
Calcutta and Straits .....Sirdhana
Australia and Manila .....Atsuta Maru
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17.

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Amoy	Taiyuan ..... 3.30 p.m.
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Amoy	Sirdhana .....5 p.m.
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18.

Hoihow and Pakhoi	Kingyuan ..... 10.30 a.m.
*Straits and Calcutta	Kumsang Parcels .....Nov. 18, Noon Letters ..... 1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching .....1 p.m.
Manila and Parcels only for Germany via Hamburg	Fulda .....12.30 p.m.
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Parcels .....Nov. 18, 4.30 p.m.	Parcels .....Nov. 18, 5 p.m.
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C. C. CLARKE,
Manager.

Hong Kong, October 27, 1932.

HONG KONG TIDES.

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November 17 to 23, 1932.

Date		High Water Standard Ht. Times.			Low Water Standard Ht. Times.		
	Nov.	H.	M.	F.	H.	M.	F.
Thurs.	17	18	15	4.4	09	10	1.6
		22	45	7.9	15	30	4.2
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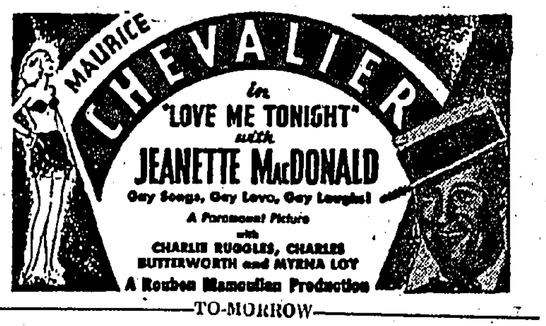

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COUNTER-CLAIMS OVER MOTOR.

Company Sues For Purchase Price.

A claim for $1,011.20 by the Asiatic Motor Car Co., plaintiffs, being the balance due on an Auburn Custom Sedan Model, sold and delivered to Mr. Albrecht Sander (partner in Sander, Wieler), defendant, was heard before the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Wood this morning.

The defendant admitted the plaintiff's claim, but has put in a counter claim in which he stated that, at the time of the sale, the Asiatic Motor Car Co. warranted that the model sold to him was the latest Auburn Custom Model, embodying such special features as Startix, hydraulic shock absorbers and dual ratio.

This, the defendant submitted was not the case, for the car was a 1931 model and did not embody any of the special features mentioned above.

Further, defendant stated that at the time of the sale the Asiatic Motor Car Co., warranted that the car was in perfect condition, but the defendant submitted that this was not the case for he had repairs made to the car to the extent of $72.40, which sum he now claims. The case is proceeding.

COURT GRANTS NEW TRIAL TO SEVEN NEGROES

All Condemned To Die For Assault.

HARSH LAWS OF SOUTH.

Washington, Nov. 10.

The United States Supreme Court to-day granted a new trial to the seven Negroes convicted at Scottsboro, Alabama, charged with assault and sentenced to die. The laws of the Southern States work grimly—where negroes are concerned in charges of assault.

The new trial was granted on the grounds that the defendants had not been allowed adequate legal representation.

The cases occasioned intense public interest because of their relation to social problems in the south, where Negro population is dense; and according to reports are the subject of international agitation by communist groups.

Attorneys for the seven Negroes, in their appeal for reversal of the state court decision, relied in part on the claim that the trial of the Negroes occurred before juries from which qualified members of their own race were, because of their race, systematically excluded. It was contended that this constituted a denial of the equal protection guaranteed by the laws under the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution.

The trials occurred in Jackson County, Alabama, a rural community of 35,000, of whom a large percentage are Negroes.

The attorneys admitted that there was no statute in Alabama which prevents Negroes from serving on juries, but they contended that "custom of long standing" worked the same result.

KING'S THEATRE PROGRAMME.

"Palmy Days" To Be Shown To-morrow.

The management of the King's Theatre announce that "Palmy Days," featuring Buster Keaton and Sharlot Greenwood, is to be re-shown by special request on Friday, November 18 and Saturday, November 19.

Maurice Chevalier and Jeannette MacDonald will be seen for the last time to-night, in "Love Me To-night" which is being replaced by "Palmy Days" to-morrow.

HINDENBURG PROLONGS MORTGAGE PAYMENTS.

Berlin.—President Paul von Hindenburg to-day announced an emergency decree automatically prolonging payments on mortgages until April, 1934, enforcing a complete moratorium beyond the period provided for in the earlier decree.

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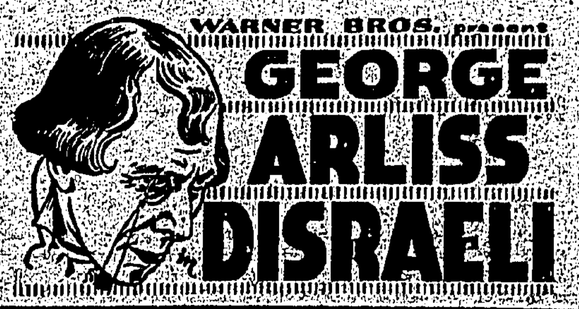

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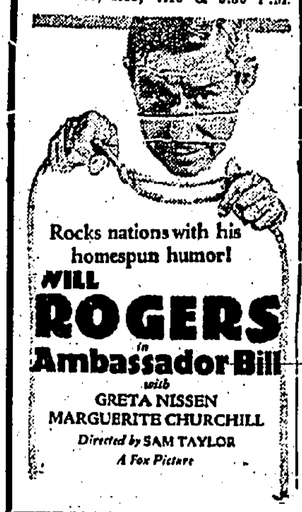

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